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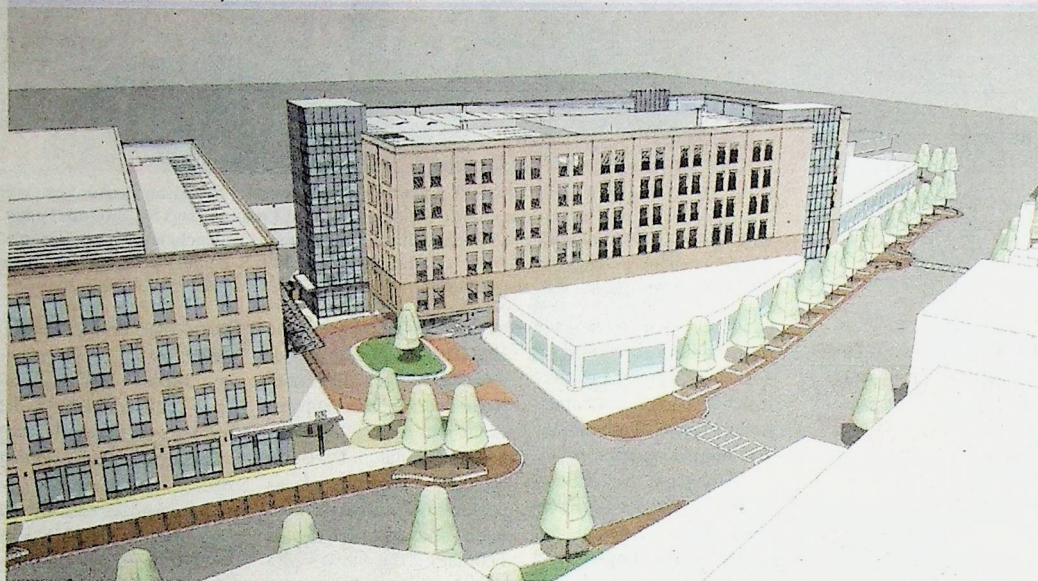
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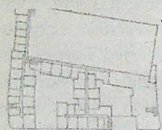
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ROSS NORTH Garage (at right) would include 500 parking spaces and would be built adjacent to a mixed-use development that will include a medical office building. This aerial view is from the east.



101 GENERAL MCCONVILLE WAY

GENERAL DUNFORD DRIVE LOOKING EAST

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ROSS SOUTH Garage (at right) would include 950 parking spaces, including ground-level ones. The garage would be built in conjunction with a mixed-use development that would include a specialty grocer and 300 apartments. This view is from General Dunford Drive.

Renderings Courtesy City of Quincy

City-Wide Cleaner, Greener Quincy Clean-Up Saturday

Mayor Thomas P. Koch and the Department of Natural Resources will host the city-wide clean-up initiative, Cleaner Greener Quincy, on Saturday, May 4th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Each year, volunteers,

including community & school groups, businesses and individuals, come together to help with outdoor clean-up around the City of Quincy. Basic tools including rakes, shovels and

bags can be picked up at the Quincy Parks Department on Friday, May 3rd from 12 noon to 3 p.m. and Saturday, May 4th from 8 to 10 a.m. at One Merrymount Parkway.

"This year marks the

35th anniversary of Cleaner Greener Quincy," said Koch. "Over the years, it's been wonderful to see so many people taking pride in our parks, fields and school grounds by assisting in this

springtime clean-up. The efforts help support the year-round work of the Department of Natural Resources to beautify our city."

To thank all of the volunteers, the mayor will host an

Appreciation Cookout following the clean-up at 12:30 p.m. at Pageant Field.

Contact Paul Doherty at the Park Dept. at pdoherty@quincyma.gov or 617-376-1251 with any questions.

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Squadron 294 Memorial Day Observance May 19

Col. Francis J. Curtis (Ret.) Speaker; Dedication In Memory Of Guy Ferris At Flags For Veterans Island

The Sons of the American Legion Squadron 294, Morrisette American Legion Post, will host its annual Memorial Day observance Sunday, May 19 at 1 p.m. at Flags for Veterans Island, Fort Square, School and Pleasant Streets, Quincy.

Keynote speaker will be Col. Francis J. Curtis (retired), who has served over 32 years in the United States Army Reserve. A native of Boston, he graduated from Norwich University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1982.



COL. FRANCIS J. CURTIS (retired)



GUY FERRIS

Col. Curtis received his commission through OCS as an Infantry officer in 1986 followed by assign-

ments with the 26th Infantry Division and the 29th Infantry Division (L). He has commanded at the Com-



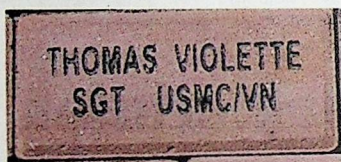
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION Squadron 294, Morrisette American Legion Post, will host its annual Memorial Day observance Sunday, May 19 at 1 p.m. at Flags for Veterans Island, Fort Square, School and Pleasant Streets, Quincy. The ceremony will include a wreath laying at the main flagpole at Flags for Veterans Island in memory of all U.S. military personnel who have died while serving in the U.S. armed forces.

Quincy Sun File Photo/Robert Bosworth



FLAGS FOR VETS ISLAND SQUADRON 294

Bricks for Veterans Program



Honor, Memorial Bricks Available For Purchase

The Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 294, Morrisette American Legion Post in Quincy has resumed selling engraved honor and memorial bricks for its "Bricks for Veterans" at Flags for Veterans Island, Fort Square, Quincy.

Bricks are available for \$50 each. The bricks can be inscribed with a veteran's name, rank and branch of service. Two sample bricks appear above.

This form can be clipped, filled out and mailed to order a brick.

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Line 1: Veteran Name/Rank: _____

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pany, Battalion and Brigade level while also serving in key staff assignments that included battalion administration, battalion operations and brigade logistics.

Throughout his military career, he has served in diverse assignments, including tactical, operational, and strategic levels of the Army, which have been joint, multinational, and special operation organizations. He has expertise with stability and combat operations, humanitarian assistance, and security cooperation with allies, and missions providing support on conventional and irregular threats. After completing his command and staff assignments with the Infantry he was accepted for assignment into the 353rd Civil Affairs Command (Airborne), in 2002. For the next several years he served in a variety of key civil-military positions with special focus in the Iraq conflict serving with the 1st Marine Division and 82D Airborne Division in Iraq from March 2003 until June 2004.

From September 2004 to September 2006, Col. Curtis served as Headquarters Commander of the 304th CA Brigade in Philadelphia, PA. In December 2006, he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and selected for command of the 432nd CA Battalion in Green Bay, WI. He deployed as a Bat-

talion Commander to the Iraq Theatre of Operations from November 2007 until November 2008 in support of the 4th Infantry Division, Multi-National Division-Baghdad with emphasis on the civil military's non-lethal lines of operation. In February 2011, he was promoted to the rank of Colonel where he served as a Functional Team Chief with the 353rd CACOM. In 2012 he was selected for Brigade Command serving as the 1st Brigade Commander of the 95th Division (IET) at Fort Sill, OK. Col. Curtis completed his career serving as the Chief of Staff of the 353rd CACOM, responsible for providing trained and disciplined soldiers to combatant commanders worldwide for peacetime and war contingencies with special focus on USAFRICOM and USEUCOM.

Col. Curtis is a graduate of the U.S. Army Basic Airborne School, Infantry Officer Basic Course, the Infantry Officer Advance Course, Combined Armed Staff and Service School, Civil Affairs Qualification Course, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the U.S. Army War College; earning a Master of Science degree in Strategic Studies.

His awards and decorations included the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (3rd Award), Purple

Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (6th Award), Army Achievement Medal (3rd Award), Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (3rd Award), National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/M Device, Br. Hourglass, Roman Numeral 2, Army Service Ribbon, Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Presidential Unit Citation (Navy), Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Superior Unit Award, Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge and the German Parachutist Badge.

Col. Curtis currently maintains a residence in Boston with his daughter, Nicole.

The Memorial Day observance will also include a special dedication in memory of Guy Ferris, a dual member of the Morrisette, American Legion Post and Squadron 294. Mr. Ferris, a veteran of the United States Air Force, died Oct. 6, 2023. He served many roles over the years with the Morrisette Post and Squadron 294 including Vice-Commander, Historian and Sergeant-at-Arms for the Post. He was Vice-Commander, Historian and Finance Officer for Squadron 294.

Mr. Ferris also served as the master of ceremonies for the Squadron's Memorial Day and Veterans' Day observances at Flags for Veterans Island for many years.

The public is welcome to attend the Memorial Day observance at Flags for Veterans Island Sunday, May 19 at 1 p.m.

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QC Celebrates Second Cohort Of 'Pathmaker' Grads

Eighteen more students have successfully completed Quincy College's new Pathmaker program, funded by a \$750,000 grant that prepares students for high-demand job opportunities in Massachusetts' life sciences industry.

The latest graduates – including three Quincy residents – bring to 32 the number of individuals this year alone who have earned educational credentials necessary to enter the biotechnology and biomanufacturing workforce.

"The Mass. Life Sciences Center created Pathmaker grants to support institutions like ours which are capable of fast-tracking Massachusetts residents into life-sciences employment," said Quincy College President Dr. Richard DeCristofaro. "It's an honor to congratulate yet another cohort of Pathmaker graduates as they prepare to put their newly acquired skills to use

in careers that will be professionally rewarding and personally satisfying."

The accelerated Pathmaker classes consist of 14 hours of hands-on training twice a week for eight weeks; students also receive transportation reimbursement, an educational stipend, a laptop computer and job-placement assistance. In addition to the three Quincy graduates – Sedef Nergiz Karagoz, Kubra Turkmen and Jie Wang – the 15 other students from this cohort are residents of communities throughout greater Boston including Andover, Everett, Revere, Somerville, Stoneham, Weymouth and Winthrop.

The Pathmaker program is the latest example of how, for the past decade, Quincy College's Biotechnology and Good Manufacturing program has served as a key component of a talent pipeline that has helped produce career-ready individuals for

roles in the state's life sciences industry. For the past five years, the graduation rate for both the Associate's degree and certificate programs has been 97 percent

with a job placement rate for graduates of 99 percent.

The College also has a strong commitment to facilitating more diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI)

in the biotechnology and life sciences workforce.

The majority of students enrolled in the Biotechnology and Good Manufacturing program are those of color,

and there has been significant growth in female and Asian students enrolling in and graduating from the program.



QUINCY RESIDENTS (from left) Sedef Nergiz Karagoz, Jie Wang and Kubra Turkmen are among the newest graduates of Quincy College's "Pathmaker" program designed to prepare students for fast entry into the state's life sciences industry.

Courtesy Photo

Quincy High School Fashion Show May 9

The 2024 Quincy High School Fashion Show will be held Thursday, May 9th at 7 p.m. in the Lloyd Hill Auditorium at Quincy High School.

The show will feature 60 talented designers showcasing approximately 100 stunning garments. This year, the show announces exciting collaborations with esteemed brands such as TONI&GUY Hairdressing Academy, along with special guests from Giving the Glam and J. Jill. The students of TONI&GUY Hairdressing Academy will lend their expertise in hair and makeup to the student models ahead of the show.

"Each year, our budding fashion virtuosos are given a platform to unleash their boundless creativity, resulting in an awe-inspiring array of designs," said Fashion Teacher Robin Kaplan. "From chic daywear to glamorous evening attire, and even stylish menswear, our showcase promises

something for everyone. And don't miss our "clean and green" segment featuring eco-friendly designs crafted from recycled and reclaimed materials."

Advance tickets are priced at \$6, while door tickets will be available for \$8. Purchase your tickets conveniently at the QHS Main Office or through a fashion student (payment accepted in cash or via Venmo @robinkaplanQPS2015).

For those seeking an enhanced experience, the show offers exclusive "Dinner, Performance, and Reserved Seating" tickets at \$20 each. Indulge in a buffet-style dinner prepared by Quincy High's talented culinary students, served in the President's Cafe starting at 5:30 p.m., followed by reserved seating for the fashion extravaganza. To secure your dinner and show experience, contact Robin Kaplan at 617-376-3377 or Deborah Golden in the QHS Main Office by May 3rd.

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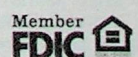
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Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

- On May 13, 1958, Vice President Richard Nixon's car was attacked and nearly overturned by an angry crowd shouting anti-American slogans as Nixon traveled through Caracas, Venezuela, during a goodwill trip through Latin America. None of the car's passengers were injured and the driver was able to speed away to safety.
- On May 14, 1904, the first Olympic Games to be held in the United States opened in St. Louis, Missouri. The Games had initially been awarded to Chicago, but were later given to St. Louis to be staged in connection with the St. Louis World Exposition. Unfortunately, the Games were poorly organized and overshadowed by the fair.
- On May 15, 2009, General Electric, one of America's most prestigious corporations, finally began its government-mandated efforts to clean up New York's Hudson River, after decades of environmental damage and legal wrangling. The company had dumped harmful chemicals into the river for years and spent a fortune trying to avoid a cleanup.
- On May 16, 1975, Norma Armistead checked into a Los Angeles hospital with a newborn infant she claimed to have given birth to at home. But when it became clear she hadn't, and another woman turned up dead nearby with the baby she was carrying cut from her body, Armistead was arrested for murder and sentenced to life in prison.
- On May 17, 1885, Apache leader and medicine man Geronimo escaped from an Arizona reservation. After a year and a half of running, he and his 38 remaining followers surrendered the following September. Geronimo was relocated to Florida before finally being freed two years later.
- On May 18, 1593, an arrest warrant was issued for Christopher Marlowe after fellow playwright Thomas Kyd claimed that "heretical" documents found in his room were actually written by Marlowe. Arrested two days later, Marlowe bailed out but died in a bar brawl on May 30.
- On May 19, 1943, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin Roosevelt set a date of May 1, 1944, for the cross-Channel landing that would become D-Day. Due to bad weather, it was rescheduled for June 6 instead.

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Thyme can grow indoors in a pot on a sunny kitchen window, but really does best outside, in sandy or rocky soils, with good drainage and full sun. It is quite tolerant of drought, and can be a great addition to a rock garden or a dry embankment. It is a perennial, with numerous woody stems that grow upward. Its stems have very aromatic gray-green leaves that reach their peak just before the plants flower, and are used fresh or dried to season soups, stews, sauces, meat and fish dishes. Its delicate lilac flowers are attractive to bees. - Brenda Weaver
Source: www.missouribotanicalgarden.org



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Adams Presidential Center Gala To Honor Civic Engagement, Leadership

The Adams Presidential Center Gala will be held Thursday, May 23 at the Boston Quincy Marriott. The Gala is a celebration of civic engagement and leadership, inspired by the values and actions of the Adams family, convening more than 550 business, civic, and nonprofit leaders from across the Commonwealth and nation.

The gala will highlight outstanding individuals who epitomize the essence of the Adams family, serving as exemplary citizens with a lifelong commitment to our communities, state, and nation. The Adams Presidential Center will pay tribute to Karen and Rob Hale by presenting them with the Abigail Adams Award and John Adams Award, respectively.

The Hales have donated more than \$300 million to a broad range of causes, including the first multi-million-dollar pledge to the Adams Presidential Center. "Every step of the way, we have been a part of a community in Massachusetts, supporting our family and company. In particular, the Quincy community where Granite is headquartered has done so much for us. We want to do all we can to help Quincy and all communities across the Commonwealth and nation. It is the right thing to do," said Karen and Rob Hale.

Former Cong. William Delahunt will be posthumously honored with the inaugural John Quincy Adams Award, in recognition of his exemplary bipartisan leadership and unwavering dedication to the Commonwealth and the United States. During his remarkable 22-year tenure as Norfolk County district attorney he pioneered groundbreaking ini-

tatives, including the nation's first prosecutorial unit dedicated to addressing domestic violence and sexual assault cases — a national model for combating violence against women. Delahunt served as U.S. Representative for Massachusetts's 10th Congressional District, where he continued to bridge divides and champion bipartisan collaboration.

"We are honored to host this year's Adams Presidential Center Gala, honoring Karen, Rob, and Bill (posthumously). They embody the character of citizenship and public service championed by the Adams family," said General Joseph F. Dunford, USMC (ret.), Board Chairman of the Adams Presidential Center. "As we seek to inspire the next generation to lead, serve, and productively engage within our community and Nation, there are no finer examples than this year's honorees."

For more information about the Adams Presidential Center Gala or to inquire about tickets or sponsorship opportunities, contact Kathy Hussey-O'Brien at kathy@adamspc.org or call 617-481-4443.

The Adams Presidential Center aspires to reinvigorate the democratic ideals that passionately inspired the Adamses and drove them to build a new nation. The Center will create dynamic experiences that bring to life the story of the Adams family with contemporary relevance to inspire future generations to serve their communities and our nation. For more information about the project, visit the Center's website.

Souther Tide Mill Annual Meeting May 16

Friends of Souther Tide Mill will hold its annual meeting Thursday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. at Quincy Point Congregational Church, 444 Washington St., Quincy (corner of Southern Artery).

The public is invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

Guest speaker will be shipbuilding historian and author Wayne Miller. His topic will be "A Shipbuilding Tradition in Quincy." Miller's slide presentation will feature scenes and stories from his book, a treasure trove of nearly two centuries of the shipbuilding industry in Quincy from the years 1789 to 1986. Copies of his book will be available for purchase at a discounted rate.

This is a rare opportunity learn more about the early Souther industries on the Town River as well as informa-

tion of the Friends of the Souther Tide Mill or joining the Friends.

For more info visit: www.southertidemill.org.

13 Quincy Students On Simmons Dean's List

Thirteen students from Quincy are on the Dean's List for the fall semester at Simmons University in Boston.

They are:

Kayla Lew, Elaine Wong, Isabelle Wu, Sarina Lau, Vicky Li, Annie Yang, Jenny Zhuo, Carol Casado, Ashley Kwan, Christina Nguyen, Quynh Nguyen, Kelly Phu and Winnie Zhou.

Quincy's Abi D'Amaro Steps Up For Project Bread's 56th Annual Walk For Hunger

On Sunday, May 5, Abi D'Amaro, of Quincy, will step up for Project Bread's 56th annual Walk for Hunger. She will be among over 3,500 participants, both in-person and virtual, to walk the 3-mile loop around the Boston Common or in their own neighborhoods.

The one-day celebration will raise more than \$1.3 million to support the leading statewide food security organization's approach to permanently solve hunger in Massachusetts.

Beginning in 1969, as the first pledge walk in the nation, Project Bread's Walk for Hunger brings together a diverse community dedicated to creating change. The one-day event is set for Sunday, May 5 at 9 a.m. on the Boston Common, and will feature family-friendly activities, programming and games. Project Bread works year-round across policy initiatives, programs, and hunger prevention measures to ensure food access for all children and families across the Commonwealth.

"Funds raised through the Walk for Hunger directly contributed to Project Bread's work to successfully lead the Feed Kids Coalition in advocating for the passage of permanent Universal School Meals in Massachusetts last year," says Erin McAleer, Project Bread's CEO. "Our Walkers make a tangible difference in the lives of thousands of Massachusetts residents, but hunger is still a pervasive problem in our state with 1 in 6 households and 1 in 5 households with children currently facing food insecurity. Participating in Project Bread's Walk for Hunger is one way we can all do something real to make sure our neighbors can access and afford the food they need."

Abi D'Amaro first hit the pavement for Project Bread's Walk for Hunger in 2008 and has since raised over \$87,000 to date to help ensure food security statewide. On May 5, she will be participating in the annual event with her team Blisters for Bread, made up of herself, her father, family and friends. She and her team hope to raise \$10,000 to help feed community members in need.

"The Walk for Hunger has become a tradition with my



ABI D'AMARO and her father during Project Bread's 55th Walk for Hunger in 2023.

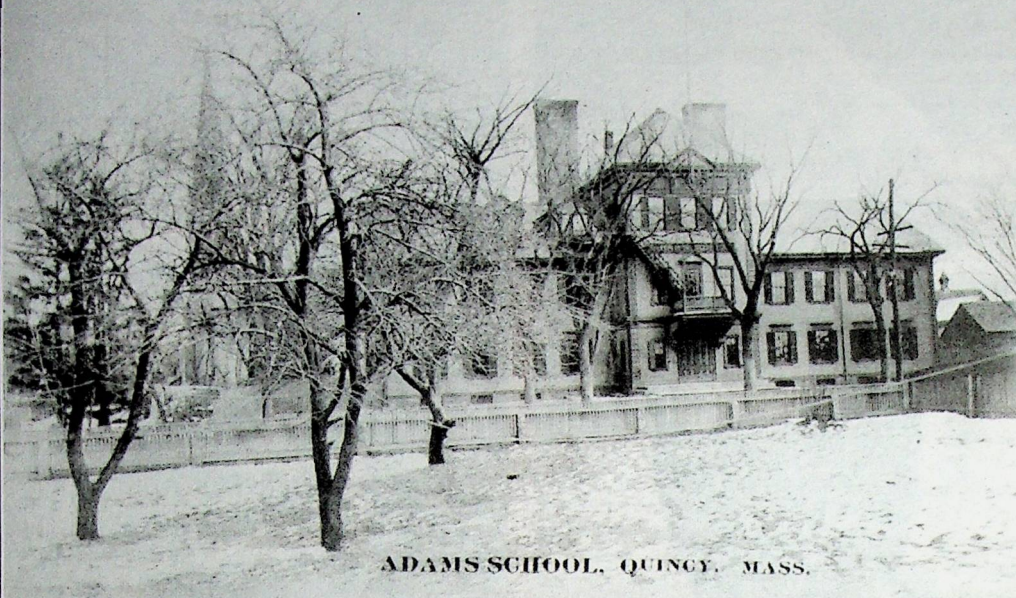
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father," says D'Amaro. "I come back each year to continue that tradition and come together with so many others for a great cause. It's a terrible thing to be hungry or malnourished. I'm thankful to be able to do something about it."

Money raised through the Walk for Hunger is critical to Project Bread's statewide work for systemic change through the levers of policy, prevention, and partnerships to ensure people of all ages have reliable access to healthy food. In keeping with the community-spirit of the event, the Walk also provides a platform for organizations to fund the vital work they do for food security locally. In 2019, Project Bread launched a joint fundraising program, The Commonwealth, to uplift the work of like-minded organizations. In 2023, 34 nonprofits raised more than \$160,000 to support their own programs.

To register as a participant for Project Bread's Walk for Hunger, or to support a walker or team with a donation, visit projectbread.org/walk.

Scenes From Yesterday



ADAMS SCHOOL, QUINCY, MASS.

THIS IS A 1907 real photo postcard view of the old Adams School that was on Phipps Street just off School Street in Quincy Center. This school served the youngsters of Quincy for 70 years. It was one of Quincy's first school buildings, built in 1855 on a half-acre lot just behind the Christ Church Cemetery on the corner. Through the trees on the left can be seen St. John's Church that was built only two years before the school. Originally only six rooms, the building was expanded

to 10 rooms as shown here in 1879. When a new Adams School on Abigail Avenue replaced this one in 1913, this became home to the Boy's Industrial School. Then after the new senior high school opened on Coddington Street with space specifically for the Trade School, this building was demolished in 1925. Today, the site is a parking lot for St. John's Church.

From the Collection of City Historian Tom Galvin

READERS FORUM

Seeks Support For Quincy Cup Street Hockey Tourney

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The 4th annual Quincy Cup Street Hockey Tournament will return this summer, June 1st and 2nd, at Wendell Moses Playground. This year's tournament will host 16-20 teams from the Greater Boston area and beyond to compete in a highly competitive 3 on 3 street hockey tournament with cash prizes that will exceed \$4,500.

With the cancellation of multiple youth sports leagues and events during the summer of 2021, members of the North Quincy High School hockey team decided to design a community event to bring happiness, if only for a weekend, to neighboring kids of all ages. This special event was a street hockey tournament later named the Quincy Cup. The weekend proved to be an escape from the restrictions revolving around the pandemic and was a massive success. Hundreds of people showed up to support their friends while watching high-intensity hockey. Continuing with the momentum, Quincy Cup returned stronger than ever in 2022 and 2023 with a larger turnout and even more teams.

As Quincy Cup continues to generate more exposure and acknowledgment, more fundraising opportunities have become available for collaboration. We are excited to announce our partnership with the Donny Bowes Memorial Fund. Donny, a beloved member of the Quincy community, was tragically struck by a vehicle early Friday morning on March 11, 2022. Donny was an adored family man and fathered 4 children. Matthew Bowes, Donny's youngest son and 2024 graduate of NQHS, has played hockey throughout his childhood and just recently finished up his senior season playing varsity hockey for North. Quincy Cup's mission this

year is to increase sponsorships and donations from the local community in an attempt to support the Bowes family.

The Quincy Cup not only represents the commemoration of a remembered past time, but more importantly, it is a celebration of this admirable community. In order to successfully run a tournament of this magnitude, local sponsorships and donations are vital. In this event, donations from sponsors would cover the costs of approximately 150 shirts, street hockey balls, logo designs, hiring of a photographer, trophies, water, banners, and all other unforeseen expenses. Two sponsorship levels will be offered, bronze level (\$250) includes name listed on all t-shirts and one t-shirt provided. A gold level sponsorship (\$500) includes a name on all t-shirts, a company banner displayed on the court, and verbal acknowledgement on event day. All Sponsors will have their names printed on the back of all shirts, a symbol recognizing their support as players and fans alike wear them on their backs even long after the tournament has concluded. As a thank-you gift, all sponsors will receive a custom shirt as well.

Checks can be made out to Asher Wines and the Venmo is listed below. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you for considering supporting this event.

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Asher Wines

Don't Rubber Stamp Mayor's Salary Report

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the detailed report by Scott Jackson, Raise for Mayor Recommended (April 25, 2024).

Let's be fair to Mayor Koch who earned \$150,943 last year; he has not had a pay raise since 2015. However, whose fault is this? He does write the city's budget annually - does he not?

What has he been thinking for the past decade?

Had he added a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment each fiscal year, he would now be earning \$196,951. Who would have noticed an average increase of \$5,000 in budgets that consisted of hundreds of millions of dollars of expenditures per annum?

Now, we have a report by Dorminson Consulting (at what cost to the city?) which proposes that a raise of 100% for Mayor Koch falls within acceptable parameters. Ye gods! A salary between \$298,957 and \$370,000. This is madness.

I appeal to ALL the members of the City Council: do NOT rubber stamp this report.

If Mayor Koch had one ounce of shame, he would have got out ahead of this report and squashed such fantastical recommendations. He claims that he remembers his working class roots. Does he really?

Since his first election in 2008, Mayor Thomas P. Koch has demonstrated his passion for spending Other Peoples' Money on decorative and passive public spaces (while sacrificing commercial properties to do so.) Does he really believe that Other People are now ready to spend their hard-earned money on him?

Claire Fitzmaurice

Quincy

(Editor's note: The city paid the consultant \$9,500 for the report. An updated story including this figure was posted on The Quincy Sun website last week.)

Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
1994
30 Years Ago

No-Tax Budget May Still Face Council Cuts

Despite a level-funded FY95 municipal budget proposed by Mayor James Sheets, the chairman of the City Council Finance Committee said it was possible the budget may undergo further trimming during the council's upcoming budget review sessions.

Sheets proposed a budget of \$133,652,802 for the new fiscal year which begins July 1. Although four percent larger than the FY94 budget of \$128,360,915, the proposed spending plan called for no new property taxes, which the mayor said had not happened since the early days of former Mayor Frank McCauley's administration in the 1980s.

However, Ward 4 Councillor Thomas Fabrizio, the Finance Committee chairman, said the budget is still subject to the scrutiny of the City Council.

"There's still the possibility that it could be cut," Fabrizio said. "That's what the budget review process is all about. I'm not sure yet where we would make the cuts, but we're going to scrutinize everything as closely as possible."

CITY SALUTES OLYMPIC

MEDALIST KAREN CASHMAN

Quincy's Karen Cashman, who won a bronze medal in short-track speedskating at the 1994 Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway, was feted by more than 1,600 fans and well-wishers at her alma mater, North Quincy High School, before receiving more accolades and praise at a luncheon hosted by Mayor James Sheets at the Quincy Neighborhood Club.

Among those in attendance were her parents, Fred and Jane Cashman, brothers Fred and Ron, and grandmother, Barbara. To her family she said with tear-filled eyes: "I would most like to thank my parents. You were the backbone of my life."

To the rest of the audience: "I dreamt of the Olympics but I never dreamt of a Karen Cashman day. I never thought anything would surpass being on the podium and receiving the medal, but this has. This means more to me than I could possibly say."

The mayor summed up the city's appreciation for Karen and thanked her for "reminding us that there is a still a greatness in the American character. You remind us about what is great and good in the American public school system... and you remind us of what is right about Quincy, our blue-collar roots and its work ethic."

Karen received an array of mementoes on her special day including a 4-foot by-eight foot mural by Atlanta artist Donna Marie Farrell depicting the skater in action (that is on display in the NQHS gym) and a special Page 1 of The Quincy Sun proclaiming her achievement presented by Sun Editor Robert Bosworth. She was also made an honorary deputy sheriff by Norfolk County Sheriff Clifford Marshall.

QUINCYISMS

Esther Sanger, executive director of the Quincy Crisis Center, received the James R. McIntyre Humanitarian Award at Law Day at Quincy District Court. Quincy Police Officers John Dougan and Michael Miller received the Robert P. Dana Distinguished Service Award for apprehending two armed suspects following a breaking and entering incident earlier in the year. John (Jake) Comer was reappointed executive director of the Quincy Housing Authority. Scott Greenberg was appointed Dean of Continuing Education at Quincy College. Jackie Loud, administrative assistant at the Quincy Housing Authority, and her daughter, Ashley, were among the mothers and daughters who participated in "Take Our Daughters To Work Day." Over 200 South Shore seniors, ranging in age from 55 to 100, were expected to participate in the 12th annual Quincy Senior Olympics. Bob Saluti continued to lead the St. John's Holy Name Society bowling league with a 105.08 average. Sixty-six groups and individuals were honored by the City Council for their participation last year in the city's Adopt-an-Island program. Those honored included the U.S. Postal Service (Quincy Post Office), Joyce Family, Philip Kenney, Curry Hardware, St. John's Girl Scout Troop 4205, Ward 2 Civic Association, Kiwanis Club of Quincy and students of Snug Harbor School. Clifford's Flowers on Hancock Street in Quincy Center received the President's Award from American Floral Services. The award recognizes the top 100 sending florists in the country. Clifford's ranked number one in New England. "Jurassic Park" was playing at the Wollaston Theater, 14 Beale St. All seats \$3 (Monday and Tuesday Dollar Night).

Boston Marathoner Honors Late Mother, Caregivers

Quincy Runner Raises Nearly \$10,000 For Mass. General

By HELEN VAN RIEL

The 2024 Boston Marathon was the first marathon I ran in six years. Despite having participated in three previous Boston Marathons in 2016, 2017, and 2018, so much of the experience felt new and was admittedly a bit nerve-wracking.

This time around, training was especially tough given the demands on my schedule—I began working as an oncology nurse at Mass General this past winter, often on the night shift. To help me prepare for what is at best a grueling race, I surrounded myself with an amazing group of marathoners, joining them on training runs organized by the Heartbreak Hill Running Company.

On April 15, I reminded myself that my goal was to race “happy.” I ran with a big smile on my face and stopped along the route to hug all of my friends, family and coworkers who gathered to cheer me on. Fortunately, I had a big, noisy “squad” including my dad, sister, niece, aunt, cousins, my best friend from summer camp, running pals who I call my “sole sisters”, colleagues from Mass General and Oliver Ames High School in Easton where I used to teach, and my “OAXC” Oliver Ames High School cross country team, a talented and determined group of student athletes that I still am lucky enough to coach.

I must admit I was surprised to see the OAXC team at the race and was touched by their presence. Not only are they incredible athletes who love the sport of running, they are also incredible people.

In addition to my competitive spirit, I was motivated to run to honor my late mother Susan van Riel and her caregivers at Mass General.

My interactions with Mass General and my experience as one of my mother’s caretakers put me on the path to a new career. I am now an oncology nurse on an inpatient unit at Mass General. Though I continue to grieve for my mother who died at the age of 63 on February 25, 2019, from chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL), a cancer of the blood and bone marrow, I ran with a strong sense of purpose. For the second time, I laced up my sneakers in support of the dedicated team of Mass General staff members who demonstrated compassion and kindness during my mother’s treatment, and to thank my new colleagues for their support.

Despite the aches and pains that followed my 26.2-mile journey, it felt good to be a marathoner once again. I finished the race in 5:40:20 and so far, I have raised almost \$10,000 for Mass General. Anyone interested in seeing photographs or learning more about my fundraising efforts can visit: Support Massachusetts General Hospital: Saving Lives and Advancing Medical Research (givinggain.com).



QUINCY RESIDENT Helen van Riel ran this year’s Boston Marathon in support of Massachusetts General Hospital. Here she is running along the 26.2-mile course and at right she proudly displays her participant medal after completing the marathon in Boston.



QUINCY RESIDENT Helen van Riel shares a moment with family and friends who came out to support her Boston Marathon run April 15. She raised nearly \$10,000 for Mass. General Hospital. Courtesy Photos

135 Students Point Webster Middle School Honor Roll

One hundred thirty-five students are listed on the second term honor roll at Point Webster Middle School.

They are:

HIGH HONORS

Grade 8: Alexis Burton, Kellyanne Cabral, Caley Chen, Clara Da Silva De Jesus, Santiago Delgado Ramirez, Baiwei Deng, Winta Fessahaie, Manar Gharbi, Jaden Gyan, Brian Huynh, Vianna Huynh,

Amna Khan, Mia Leung, Karston Luo.

Grade 7: Aisha Anum, Aisha Anum, Raed Ali, Hannah Araya, Arhan Saqib, Arhan Saqib, Kathy Bao, Medha Cherala, Marsen

Colagene, Jaynashka Delva, Ketana Gopinath, Thuong Ha, Donna Huynh, Emmanuelle Kanza, Isabella Kloczkowski.

Grade 6: Ayesha Arafat, Mysha Ariff Basha, Isabella Asbury, Akshiith Balaji, Rachel Chong, Angelina Chow, Cillian Connor, Emily He, Sakshi Hirekodi, Stephania Inicobelinraj, Anumithra Jayakumar Kokila, Patrick Johnson, Selena Nguyen, Dong Pan, Angela Pham, Samaiya Richards, Bonnie Rong, Suhana Sapru, Eepshitha Somisetti, Ri-

hana Spencer Lima Pereira Neves, Suela Suka, Tiffany Teixeira, Adam Tint, Karen Truong, Rosa Vega Ramos.

HONORS

Grade 8: Odin Boyd, Oliver Bridges, Anelise De Assis, Amanda Gonzalez, Habib Goutay, Miguel Jimenez Soto, Nicholas Martinez, Cindy Nguyen, Kayden Pena Santana, Kylee Walsh, Zahreh White.

Grade 7: Corey Anderson, Hanaa Baouch, John

Rick Caldeira Da Silva, Jassiah Craig Watson, Natanim DeGefa, Andrew DeLisle, Yingcong Deng, Emmanuel Ebong, Enrique Foong, Kanish Gopinath, Salma Hadjakacem, Amina Haiti.

Grade 8: Nisshanth Arun, Fiona Callaghan, Huy Dang, Faith Harris, Momina Khan, Roel Kodra, Johanna Lei, Ciara Lopez Portillo, Maylissa Louis, Javier Molina Sierra, Tharun Prabakar, Olivia Ruan, Sameer Sheik Dawood, Xavier Speed, Mohammed Danish Syed, Asia Van, Parnita Velamuru, Kevin Xie.

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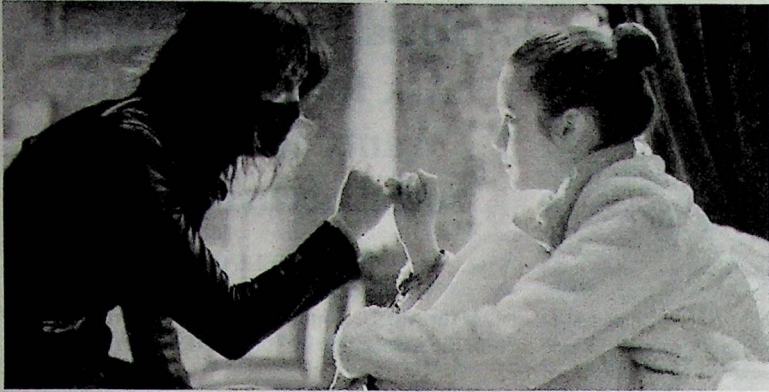
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Movie Review: 'Abigail'

By **BOB GARVER**

After last week's heavy, serious, ultraviolent "Civil War," I needed a movie like the lighter, sillier, also ultraviolent "Abigail." Is this film as intelligent and thought-provoking as last week's offering - a film that still rules the box office, by the way? No. Is this film going to leave much of an impact on popular culture? Probably not - it doesn't do much to stand out from similar movies, some from the same people that made this movie. But would I pick "Abigail" over "Civil War" to watch in my free time because it's much more fun? Oh, yes.

The film starts out as a kidnapping thriller. A team of strangers work together to abduct 12-year-old Abigail (Alisha Weir) from her family's home and take her to a mysterious mansion overseen by Lambert (Giancarlo Esposito). He insists on taking everyone's phones and tells them not to give each other personal details like their real names, though he assigns them nicknames based on the Rat Pack (seems like the kind of detail that should have been worked out ahead of the actual kidnapping, but you'll be asked to suspend disbelief much further by the movie's end). Lambert just needs the team to watch the girl for 24 hours while he does Head Kidnapper stuff, during which time Joey (Melissa Barrera) is the only one allowed to tend to Abi-

gail, so she doesn't see anyone else's face. Assuming nothing goes wrong, they'll soon be able to go their separate ways with their share of a \$50 million ransom. Things go wrong.

We spend a few scenes getting to know the team. The aforementioned Joey is a recovering drug addict that just wants to pull this one job and then be a dotting mother to her estranged son. Frank (Dan Stevens) is a former cop that has thus far kept his obvious anger issues in check, but looks like he could snap at any moment. Peter (Kevin Durand) is a dumb musclehead that wants people to think of him as more than a dumb musclehead, but is too much of a dumb musclehead to figure out how to change his image. Rickles (William Catlett) is a former soldier clearly harboring many secrets. Sammy (Kathryn Newton) is a spoiled rich kid that turned to a life of crime out of sheer boredom. And Dean (Angus Cloud) is a 99%-useless idiot that happens to have a talent for driving. I mean no disrespect to Cloud, who passed away last year, but this is a movie where characters are expected to be killed off, and I was hoping that Dean would go early. Given how much effort Cloud clearly put into making Dean annoying, I'm sure he'd take me rooting for the character's death as a compliment.

But then there's Abi-

gail herself, and although I don't want to go too far into spoilers, she turns out to be a doozy of a kidnapping victim. In one swift shift, this goes from a movie about a little girl being locked in with six kidnappers to a movie about the kidnappers being locked in with... what they thought was a little girl. She's not happy with the kidnappers or what they've done in the past. Alliances and deals are made and broken to avoid slaughter at Abigail's tiny little hands or huge deadly fangs.

"Abigail" isn't necessarily a great movie by itself, but it works well as something to hold over certain horror fans. Upset that the "Scream" series is in limbo? Here's a movie from Radio Silence, the directors of "Scream VI," plus star Melissa Barrera. Can't wait until next year for "M3GAN 2.0"? Get your dancing little psycho girl fix here. Sorely miss people exploding like bloody water balloons like in Radio Silence's 2019 horror hit "Ready or Not"? This movie just might have you covered. History will probably see "Abigail" as a middling horror movie at best, but here and now it earns bonus points for coming along at the right time.

Grade: B-

"Abigail" is rated R for strong bloody violence and gore throughout, pervasive language and brief drug use. Its running time is 109 minutes.

WHAT'S COOKING

with
Marie & Suzie

By **MARIE D'OLIMPIO** and **SUZIE FALCO**



Chocolate Chip Oatmeal-Coconut Cookies

By **MARIE**

I've shared this recipe before - it is from my niece, Jean, who has made about every cookie in the book - and also has baked all kinds of cakes and desserts. She certainly has inherited my mother's genes!

Today's cookie recipe contains chocolate chips, oatmeal and coconut. What a combo! These cookies are delicious and will become a favorite!

Preheat oven to 375 degrees; grease or prepare a cookie sheet with parchment paper

Ingredients and Directions:

1 1/4 cups of flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 sticks of butter
1 cup dark brown sugar
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 teaspoon coconut flavoring (optional)
3 cups old fashioned oats (oatmeal)
1 cup sweetened coconut
2 cups chocolate chips

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees and either spray sheet or use parchment paper.

Mix all of the dry ingredients except the oats in a large bowl and set aside.

Cream the butter and sugars until blended.

Add the egg and the flavorings and mix well.

Then add dry ingredients and mix well.

Then add in the oatmeal chocolate chips and coconut and mix all ingredients together.

For a large cookie use 1 heaping spoonful of cookie dough, roll into a ball and slightly flatten.

For a smaller cookie reduce the size of the ball.

Place on the cookie sheet 3 inches apart as the cookie spreads while baking.

Bake for 12 to 14 minutes until the edges look crispy.

Leave on the cookie sheet for at least 12 minutes.

After the 12 minutes place cookies on a wire rack until cool.

This recipe yields approximately 24 large cookies or 4 dozen medium to small cookies.

Italian Style Potato Salad

By **SUZIE**

Here is a recipe for Italian Style Potato Salad. Potatoes have been (and still are!) demonized by "dieters" and the poor spuds have been blamed with pasta and bread. These red (or purple skinned) potatoes are filling, comforting, contain fiber (mostly found in skin) B vitamins, iron, and potassium.

So, when eating potatoes, always eat the skin (that you have scrubbed well) and always choose organically produced potatoes.

1 pound red potatoes, scrubbed
3 tablespoons good balsamic vinegar
1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil
1/4 cup red chopped pepper
1/4 cup green beans (that have been steamed just until bright green)
1/4 cup chopped red onion
1 clove minced garlic
2 teaspoon raw honey

Sea salt and pepper to taste

3 tablespoons combined chopped fresh Italian parsley and chopped fresh basil

Boil potatoes for about 20 minutes or until tender. Drain and let cool.

Slice in half, then into about 1/2 inch slices. (If you like it chunkier just cut in half again until you are happy with size.) Place in bowl.

Steam green beans, if desired (you can put them in raw if you feel lazy!)

In separate bowl whisk oil, vinegar, garlic, honey, sea salt and pepper. Check for seasonings just by dipping finger in and tasting.

Toss with potatoes and rest of vegetables. Add in fresh herbs and toss again.

Taste a potato, and if you need more salt, sprinkle it over top and toss again. Serve room temperature or cold (I like this even better the next day!)

South Shore Habitat For Humanity 'Framing the Future' Fundraiser May 9

South Shore Habitat for Humanity, which has delivered quality affordable homes in partnership with families in need for the past 38 years, will hold their premier fundraising event, "Framing the Future" on Thursday, May 9th at 6 p.m. at Granite Links in Quincy.

The evening will feature cocktails, fine food, and a silent auction.

"We are particularly excited this year to partner with King Jewelers in Cohasset to offer a chance to win a stunning pair of diamond earrings," said SSHH Director of Development Tamar Schiess.

"Not only is Granite Links a beautiful venue, it is the halfway point between our two current home construction sites one on Jerusalem Road in Cohasset, the other on Poquanticut Avenue in Easton," added South Shore Habitat for Humanity Executive Director Beth Lyons.

This year's major sponsors include Cape Cod Lumber, Quincy Mutual Group, Dedham Savings, Jumbo Capital, Newmark, Sandy Cove Advisors Wilkinson Companies, Eastern Bank, Grey Properties, Mountain One, and South Shore Bank.

"Framing the Future is a wonderful way for businesses

and individuals to come together, have a great time, and really make a difference in our local communities," Lyons said. "The money raised will provide essential funding to help build decent, affordable homes for hardworking families and support our Critical Home Repair Program for senior and veterans across the cities and towns we serve."

Tickets and sponsorships are available online at <https://app.donorview.com/0KzMy>.

Wollaston Congregational Church Yard Sale Saturday

Wollaston Congregational Church, 48 Winthrop Ave. is having its annual yard sale on Saturday, May 4th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The sale will feature lots of good stuff including jewelry, dishes, kitchenware,

books, toys, furniture, electronics and maybe something for Fathers' Day.

Indoor and outdoor so no rain date.

May 4 also coincides with Quincy Cleaner Greener and Scout Troop 42 will

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226 Students On South-West Middle School Second Term Honor Roll

South-West Middle School lists 226 students on its second term honor roll. They are:

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Grade 7: Paige C. Adams-Higginbottom, Gabriel D. Alves, Melissa Barroso Sales, Joel Andrews Bruze, Mary Lacey Cawley, Anna Luisa Da Silva, Gabriella N. Davis, Chanelle L. Decourcy, Ismael Dessaline, Olivia J. Doherty, Yassine M. Ed-daimi, Ayesha Elisse P. Enriquez, Jimmy Feng, Yuqing Feng, Zion D. Gales, Kellan S. Geary, Melanie S.

Hawkins, Yuqi Huang.

Kana F. Iwasaki, Keisha Jean, Kirthika Karthikeyan, Abdullah Khilji, William Li, Isaiah A. Montrond, Alejandro Moronta, Amy L. Ngo, Brandon Nguyen, Jennifer Pinto Chiodi, Dion Qako, Helio N. Rodrigues Nogueira, Braighlynn T. Ronca, Haja-Serah Sesay, Finnegan V. Tedeschi, Giordano Thomas, Harry R. Truong, Vicky Weng, Daren Zhang, Emily Zheng, Tian Yu Zhou.

Grade 6: Samaya P. Adams-Higginbottom, Ethan Chen, Vincent C. Duong, Selva Elsadek, Aleksia Fero, Raina Tamoya Hanson, Riya Tamoya Hanson, Jayden Jean Simon, Kelly Kuang, Zariya Lawal, Kamaron J. Lee, Mathias O. Lee, Jason Li, Jack Liu, Sandi Loloci, Anna L. Maloney, Nehemie R. Marcelin, Clark Nathaniel O. Medina, Vienna L. Mei, Jaquelin Mui, Yuvan Sai Musunuru.

Sara Nbahedda, Naiya S. Patel, Andres I. Perez Rodriguez, Hunter L. Pitre, Emma Purugganan, Siqi Qiu, Nhi K. Quach, Izadora D. Rosa, Julia Ailani C. Samson, Michelle X. Setow, Jordan B. Tram, Dominik A. Vatalaro, Miao Zheng Wu, Olivia Y. Wu, Carmen Yan, Hannah J. Yao, Lok Ting Yu.

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Social Security Matters Ask Rusty - Minister Wants To Maximize Social Security Benefit

By RUSSELL GLOOR

National Social Security Advisor

at the AMAC Foundation, The Non-Profit Arm of the Association of Mature American Citizens

Dear Rusty: I want to apply for Social Security, but I want to make sure I get all the benefits I have earned. I am a veteran with a 10% disability rating (not sure if that matters). I am 68 years old. I am a minister and have been exempt from Social Security taxes for most of my income since I was about 30, but I still have the 40 quarters needed. I have also worked off and on in the secular workplace and continued paying Social Security taxes.

One hears a great deal about those who want to "help" us apply for Social Security, but which turn out to be a scam or want a fee. How do I apply and maximize my benefits with my unique situation? **Signed: Seeking Answers**

Dear Seeking: Don't worry about fees here at the AMAC Foundation - there is never a fee for the services we provide (we are non-profit). And I want to thank you for your military service - you may find the "For Veterans" section at our AMAC Foundation website interesting - www.amacfoundation.org.

To your question: Your VA disability rating does not affect your Social Security benefit. At 68 years old, your Social Security benefit payment has been earning Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) since you reached your full retirement age (FRA) of 66 years and 4 months in July 2022. That means that your benefit, if you claim now, will be about 13% more than it would have been had you claimed at your FRA. FYI, if you continue to delay, your SS benefit will continue to grow (by 8% per additional year you delay), up to the month you turn 70. At that time, your SS benefit will be 29% higher than it would have been at your FRA. Nevertheless, if you wish to claim a smaller amount now, you can do so in a couple of ways:

- You can call Social Security (at 1-800-772-1213, or your local SS office) to request an appointment to apply. They will most likely set a date/time to call you to take your application over the phone (they discourage office visits these days). Once you have applied, it typically takes a month or two to process your application, but they will pay your benefits effective with the month you say you want them to begin. Note, they will likely also offer you six months of retroactive benefits but be aware that if you accept that offer your monthly payment will be permanently reduced by 4%.

- You can apply for your SS retirement benefit online at www.ssa.gov/apply. Applying online is, by far, the most efficient method, as shown in this short video: www.ssa.gov/hlp/video/iclaim_r01.htm. However, to apply online you will need to first create your personal "my Social Security" online account at www.ssa.gov/myaccount. Once you have your personal online account set up, you will be able to see what your SS retirement benefit will be now, and at future ages should you plan to wait longer to claim. Your SS retirement benefit will be based on your lifetime record of earnings from which Social Security FICA taxes were withheld (or self-employment earnings on which SS payroll taxes were levied). In any case, your SS benefit will be based on your lifetime earnings record contributing to Social Security, as well as your age when you claim. You'll get your maximum benefit based on those factors.

Although your situation is somewhat uncommon, it is not exceptionally unique. Your VA disability rating does not affect your Social Security benefit and, because you are a member of the clergy, you are not subject to Social Security's Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) - a rule which reduces SS benefits for those with a pension earned while not contributing to Social Security. In other words, your SS benefit will be based entirely on your lifetime record of earnings from which Social Security payroll taxes were withheld, and your age when your benefit starts.

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Increasing Digital Use & Eye Strain

By Dr. CAROLANN SPERANZO

These days nearly every person uses a smartphone, tablet, e-reader, or computer for several hours a day. Digital device use expanded during the pandemic. Post pandemic most expected such electronics usage would decline, but the opposite has occurred. Studies are finding that children as young as two or three years old spend time on a digital device, while older students and adults average more than six hours a day. According to the American Optometric Association, one in three Americans - almost 104 million - spend seven or more hours on screens daily.

As many as 70% of users report tiredness, headaches, blurred vision, and dryness. Use of digital devices often means a person blinks less and a reduced blink rate means dryness and itching. There is also irritation, double vision, excessive tears and often the text appears to be moving and the individual experiences neck and back problems.

Headaches and eye strain are the common complaints when using computers for hours a day. Many attempt to resolve these issues by trying eyedrops to lubricate the eyes

and better posture to see the screen easier. Some implement the 20-20-20 rule: every twenty minutes look twenty feet away for twenty seconds. This forces the eyes to adjust from distance to near vision and back.

Despite the vision care industry's dispute over blue light filters, digital device users try them to see if they help. While many eye care professionals recommend such filters, no data support the theory that blue light from computers causes problems. Sunlight gives off more blue light than devices. More research is needed to determine if filters are helpful since blue light's only documented impact is disruption of the sleep cycles.

The latest research shows that screen use and digital eyestrain cost individuals nearly \$700 per year. In addition, data has been reported that productivity and health symptoms from such eye strain resulted in expenditures of over \$250 billion to the U.S. healthcare system in 2023.

To maintain your visual health, contact lenses should be comfortable with good visual acuity and purchased from a reputable source. As noted in a recent CBS episode, there are many "gray market" contact lenses being sold online. These are not from the manufacturers and may jeopardize vision and eye health. For eyeglasses, it is important to ensure that your eyeglasses are in optimum condition: frames fitting well, sitting straight on your face and lenses clear with good surface quality and without scratches that can strain vision. Taking care of your eyes and utilizing your local eye care professional for both products and professional advice will ensure your valuable sense of sight.

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Quarry Museum, Lyons Turning Mill Open May 4, May 5

The Quincy Quarry and Granite Workers Museum and the Lyons Turning Mill will open on Saturday, May 4th and Sunday, May 5th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Also, a self-guided walking tour of the Lyons Turning Mill grounds to view artifacts around the mill with interpretive information at each location will be viewable.

The museum has acquired new artifacts of the granite industry from the collection of the late Dave Hodgdon that are on display at the mill. The museum has also added several new displays on the walking tour around the mill. Historic pictures of Quincy's granite industry with interpretive information on each picture

will be displayed.

Visitors can view the locations of where the machinery was located by the foundations and stud locations. The Museum will also be open for a self-guided tour to view pictures and artifacts from Quincy's granite industry. Museum members will be on hand to answer questions and Quarry Museum T-shirts will be on sale to help support the museum.

Directions: At the intersection of Copeland and Willard Streets, West Quincy, proceed under expressway, stay to right to stop sign, the U.P.S. building will be on the other side of ramp. Proceed with caution across ramp onto Ricciuti Drive to



ON DISPLAY in the engine room of the Lyons Turning Mill will be 24x36 photos of the mill when in operation in 1894.

Courtesy Photo

end and right on to Quarry Hills Drive. Turning Mill

will be 100 yards on left.

Visit the museum web-

site at www.quincyquarry-museum.org.

For more information call 617-472-1322.

NQHS, QHS Receive State Grants To Help Seniors Complete FAFSA

The Healey-Driscoll Administration is providing grants to more than 100 Massachusetts public schools serving Gateway Cities to help high school seniors complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

The grants, totaling more than \$550,000, follow an announcement that the state's priority deadline to apply for Massachusetts financial aid via MASSGrant has been extended from May 1 to July 1, 2024. The awards are also intended to support schools amid unique nationwide challenges with this year's FAFSA. As of April 2024, 168,489 students or prospective students in Massachusetts have completed the FAFSA, a decrease from 232,560 in April 2023.

Quincy's two public high school received grants: \$10,980 for North Quincy High School and \$10,740 for Quincy High School.

"We want high school seniors to know that there is still time to complete the FAFSA and pursue higher education this coming fall," said Gov. Maura Healey. "These additional funds will help reach students who have yet to complete the FAFSA but who aspire to attend college and may benefit from the significant financial aid programs available in Massachusetts."

"These grants allow us to support schools in a fi-

nal push to reach seniors before they graduate," said Lt. Gov. Kim Driscoll. "Students may have considered a college education but not begun or completed the FAFSA. We know how dedicated our school counselors are to helping these students, and the Administration is working to support them through these funds and by shifting the priority deadline for state financial aid."

The FAFSA completion grants will be issued to public high schools at which 70 percent or more of the students served are from Gateway Cities. The funds are also granted to Massachusetts high schools taking part in the federal Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) program. High schools will receive grant amounts equal to \$30 per 12th grader.

The grant funds for schools are being distributed by the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education in collaboration with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. School leaders and counselors can dedicate grant money to FAFSA completion events or celebrations, and they can purchase prizes such as gift cards and school-branded merchandise for students who complete the FAFSA or the Massachusetts Applica-

tion for State Financial Aid (MASFA). Students who cannot complete the FAFSA due to their citizenship status should complete the MASFA.

"Students who complete the FAFSA by July 1 and qualify for need-based financial aid are guaranteed some financial support to attend college," said Commissioner of Higher Education Noe Ortega. "We encourage students not to leave money on the table. We hope these grants will provide schools with meaningful support as they work with students who have yet to apply for financial aid, but who have the talent and drive to succeed in college."

"We hope schools will use these grants to help encourage students to fill out the FAFSA or MASFA and take that concrete step toward college," said Russell D. Johnston, acting commissioner of elementary and secondary education. "While many students may have already applied for financial aid, there is still money available."

Along with the later statewide deadline for FAFSA completion, colleges and universities are also moving their deposit deadlines to accommodate students who have yet to apply or have not received financial aid packages that are crucial making college-going decisions. Students should check col-

lege or university websites or reach out directly to in-

dividual campuses for infor-

mation about deadlines.

Music Of The 40s And 50s Outdoor Concert May 18

'Musical Journey Through The Decades'
Concert Series At H-A Common

Mayor Thomas P. Koch and the City of Quincy invite the community to save the dates for the upcoming 2024 monthly concert series on the Hancock-Adams Common, "Celebrate a Musical Journey through the Decades."

Musical performances will span songs from the 1940s through the 1990s and include a patriotic concert. The concerts include:

• **Music of the 40s & 50s** on Saturday, May 18th from 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.

• **Music of the 60s & 70s** on Saturday, June 22nd from 1 to 7 p.m.

• **A Patriotic Celebration** on Saturday, July 6th from 4 to 8 p.m.

• **Music of the 80s & 90s** on Saturday, Aug. 17th from 3 to 8 p.m.

"The wide variety of music offers something for everyone to enjoy," said Mayor Koch. "It's a wonderful way to spend an afternoon or evening with friends and family out on the beautiful Hancock Adams Common."

All performances are free to the public. Seating will be available. Lawn chairs are allowed. Food and dessert trucks are scheduled for food and drink purchases

with local restaurants open for business in and around the Hancock Adams Common and downtown Quincy.

Artists from the Quincy Arts Association will be on-site on the grass of the Common painting live during the show.

The Music of the 40s and 50s concert May 18th will feature the Dan Gabel Music 18-piece Swing Orchestra, the Randy Andys, the legendary international 1950s rock n' roll band The Platters as well as the Boston Lindy Hop and classic cars.



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Trisha Kingsbury & Michael Beagan
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William & Mary Spears
Ben Lin & Jin Wang
Shu & Sin Tom
Tyler & Brittany Miller

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Yi Q Chen & Tricia Fu
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Ashley Dumaine & Jonathan Huang
Xiang Wei & Yanqing Li
Jeanette Won & Erica Lawrence
Shreosi Ghosh, Catrina Wang & Linda Cheng
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Njeri Barrett
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Tony Nguyen & Van Hua
Connor Stark & Emma Larkin Lasche
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51 Chickatabot Road
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27 West Street
11 Oak Terrace
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42 Centre Street
42 Lyons Street
615 Newport Avenue
105 South Bayfield Road
790 East Squantum Street
93 Harvard Street
38 Hovey Street
23 Minihans Lane

GOOD DEEDS: Spring Is Here – The Community Preservation Act

By WILLIAM O'DONNELL
Norfolk County Register of Deeds

Dear Friends of the Registry, Registry Stakeholders, and Norfolk County residents:

Spring is here, and as many of us take this opportunity to enjoy the wonderful public spaces that the communities in Norfolk County have to offer, I wanted to take a moment and share with you some history and information about the Community Preservation Act that I think you might find interesting.

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) is the result of more than two decades of work to create legislation that would provide all 351 Massachusetts cities and towns with a tool to preserve their most unique natural, community, and physical infrastructures in the face of rapid expansion and development.

The CPA allows cities and towns to establish a Community Preservation Fund to preserve open space, historic preservation, affordable housing, and outdoor recreation. Additionally, the CPA establishes a statewide Community Preservation Trust Fund, which the Department of Revenue (DOR) oversees and which contributes annually to municipalities that have ratified the CPA.

The Community Preservation Act was signed into law on September 14, 2000. Today, with the addition of Ames-

bury, MA and Shirley, MA in 2023 there are 196 Massachusetts communities that have adopted this act. Of the 28 communities that make up Norfolk County, 19 communities have adopted the law since it was signed back in 2000. As of December 31, 2019, fees collected for the Community Preservation Act were increased to \$50.00 for most land documents recorded and \$25.00 for municipal lien certificates. The Registry of Deeds, at no additional cost to the Commonwealth or local communities, collects these revenues

once a land document is recorded and forwards the monies to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue on a monthly basis. The funds forwarded to the Commonwealth are then redistributed back to the communities that have adopted the Community Preservation Act.

The fees for the CPA are set by the State Legislature on land documents recorded here at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds. The accompanying chart (middle of page) provides an illustration of the funds generated by the CPA in your community based on recorded real estate filings for that community during the 2023 calendar year.

I hope you find this data informative and helpful in understanding the impact the Community Preservation Act has in allowing cities and towns to ensure that their unique characteristics and assets are preserved for years to come. In the meantime, if I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at 781-461-6116 or by email at registerodonnell@norfolkdeeds.org.

To all enjoy your Spring,
William O'Donnell
Norfolk County Register of Deeds

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT (CPA) SURCHARGES BY TOWN FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

TOWN	TOTAL
AVON	\$32,275.00
BELLINGHAM	\$123,950.00
BRAINTREE	\$186,775.00
BROOKLINE	\$286,925.00
CANTON	\$159,950.00
COHASSET	\$64,325.00
DEDHAM	\$143,525.00
DOVER	\$42,800.00
FOXBOROUGH	\$96,050.00
FRANKLIN	\$179,050.00
HOLBROOK	\$78,900.00
MEDFIELD	\$75,250.00
MEDWAY	\$87,150.00
MILLIS	\$69,250.00
MILTON	\$148,650.00
NEEDHAM	\$183,000.00
NORFOLK	\$79,875.00
NORWOOD	\$147,225.00
PLAINVILLE	\$49,025.00
QUINCY	\$422,175.00
RANDOLPH	\$180,775.00
SHARON	\$92,950.00
STOUGHTON	\$175,400.00
WALPOLE	\$155,200.00
WELLESLEY	\$176,025.00
WESTWOOD	\$93,175.00
WEYMOUTH	\$317,050.00
WRENTHAM	\$85,375.00

Lyons Turning Mill Cleaner, Greener Site

The Quincy Quarry and Granite Workers Museum will be having a Cleaner Greener Cleanup of the Lyons Turning Mill on Saturday, May 4th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

Rakes, bags and gloves will be supplied.

The museum will also be open for viewing and a self-guided walking tour around the mill on the newly constructed walking path with interpretive information on artifacts and site locations around the mill. Also the museum will display photos of Quincy's past granite industry. Come help clean up and learn about Quincy's rich granite history.

Directions: At the intersection of Copeland and Willard Streets, West Quincy, proceed under expressway, stay right to right to stop sign (U.P.S. building will be on the other side of ramp.) Proceed with caution across ramp onto Ricciuti Drive to end and right on to Quarry Hills Drive. Turning Mill will be 100 yards on left. Visit the museum website: www.quincyquarrymuseum.org. For more information call 617-472-1322.

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Quincy Credit Union Awards \$6,000 In Scholarships To Local Students

Quincy Credit Union received 117 student applications of which five were selected to receive a scholarship as part of QCU's Annual Student Scholarship Program. Students were from local high schools or enrolled as an undergraduate currently attending an accredited U.S. College or University. The QCU Scholarship program is in its 19th year and selects the recipients through a lottery system.

One student received a \$2,000 scholarship in honor of William Phelan's 50 years of dedicated service to Quincy Credit Union. The four other students received \$1,000 each. The funds will be placed in their QCU accounts to help pay for college expenses.

Scholarship recipients Sophia Cerone of Quincy and Samantha Kelly of

Hingham attended an awards ceremony on April 25 at the QCU branch in Quincy where Antonio Agcaoili, Chair of Scholarship Committee, presented them with a Certificate of Scholarship to add to their college portfolios.

The 2024 Scholarship Recipients are:

- Chloe Whyte of Norwell, the University of Maryland, recipient of the \$2,000 William Phelan Commemorative Scholarship Award.

- Sophie Cerone of Quincy, Quincy College, \$1,000 scholarship award.

- Samantha Kelly of Hingham, University of Texas at Austin, \$1,000 scholarship award.

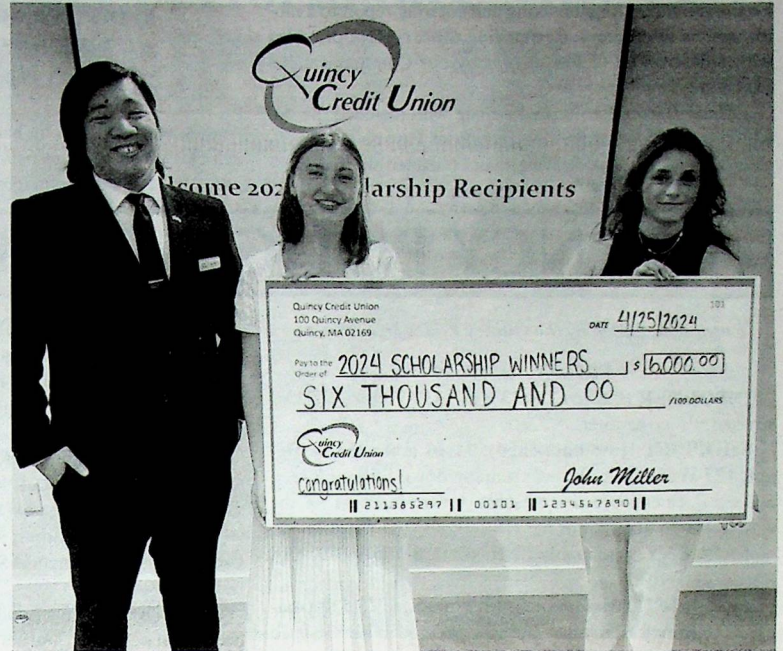
- Margaret Silva of Braintree, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, \$1,000 scholarship award.

- David Cooper, Jr. of Hanover, Massachusetts

Maritime Academy, \$1,000 scholarship award.

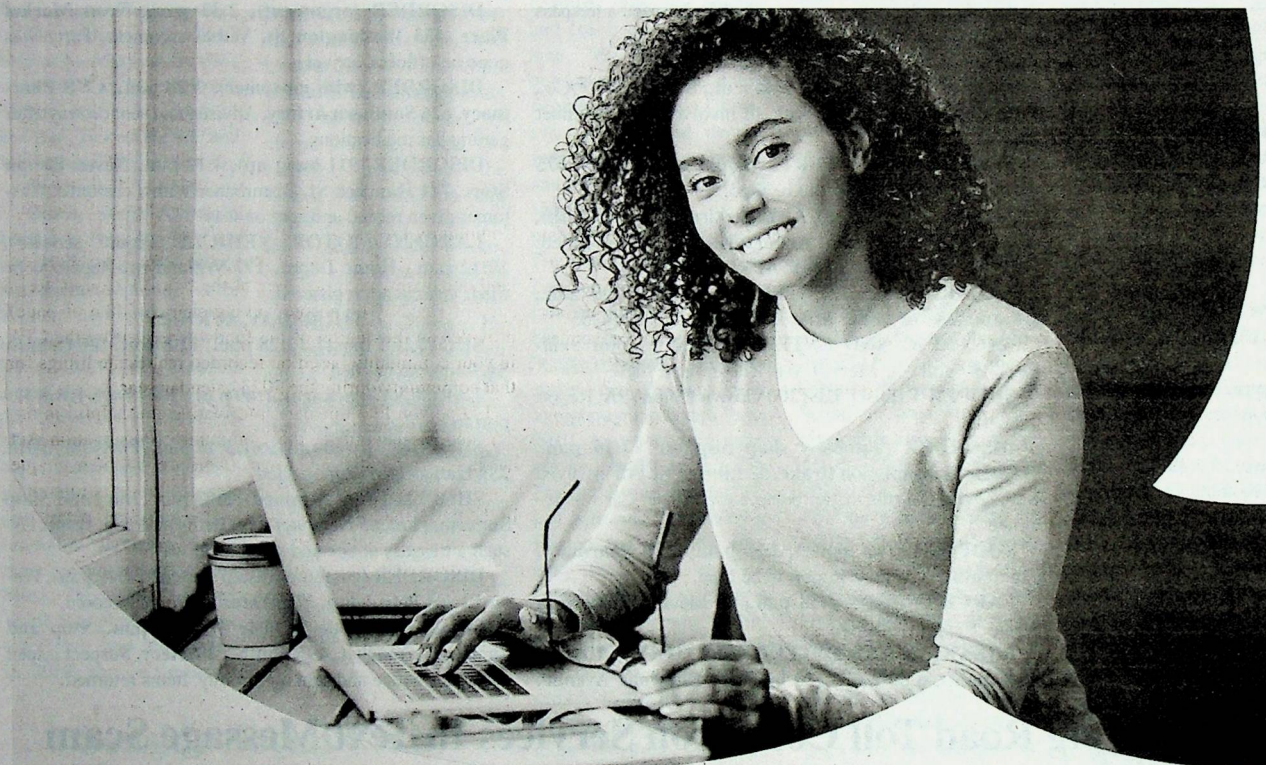
Information on how to apply for the 2025 scholarships will be available next January at www.QCU.org.

Quincy Credit Union (QCU) is a not-for-profit, member-owned financial institution established in 1937, and serves over 36,000 members that live and/or work in the Norfolk and Plymouth Counties, and Dorchester, as well as their families. With branches in Quincy, Weymouth, and Marshfield (opening soon), QCU offers its members great rates, low fees, the best in customer service, state-of-the-art technology, thousands of free ATMs, and free 24/7 Online and Mobile account access at www.qcu.org. QCU is federally insured by the NCUA, MSIC and is an Equal Housing Lender.



QUINCY CREDIT UNION recently presented \$6,000 in scholarships to local students. From left to right: Antonio Agcaoili from QCU; Samantha Kelly of Hingham and Sophie Cerone of Quincy. Recipients not pictured: David Cooper Jr., Margaret Silva and Chloe Whyte.

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QUINCY COLLEGE

On Tuesday, April 23, at about 1:24 a.m., Officers Waterman, Harrington and Chow were sent to an address on Farrington Street for a breaking and entering report to a motor vehicle in progress. Responding officers were provided with a description of the suspect by our Communications Division.

Officer Harrington located a male who matched the description provided at the intersection of Fayette and North Central Avenue. Officer Waterman contacted the reporting

A Job Well Done

By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT
Public Information Officer
Quincy Police Department

person, who told him he had left his cell phone inside his vehicle. When he went outside, he observed a male inside of his friend's car, rummaging through the vehicle. He con-

fronted the male who fled running down Farrington Street, he immediately called 911.

An identification show up was conducted and the caller/witness said that he was 100 percent the guy he saw inside of the vehicle. The male was placed in custody and charged with breaking and entering to a motor vehicle and receiving stolen property. He was transported to police headquarters by Officer Chow and booked by Sergeant Connolly.

Job Well Done!

QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

DISORDER (flat tire), 8:33 a.m., 332 Victory Rd. All advised. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (just happened), 11:16 a.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Suspect running down Willard Street. Suspect located, issued a trespass notice and sent on the way. Store got their items back.

LARCENY (package), 12:16 p.m., 8 Highpoint Cir. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (two females), 12:27 p.m., CVS Pharmacy, 321 Quincy Shore Dr. Both suspects identified, issued trespass notices and sent on the way.

DISORDER, 1:44 p.m., Thompson Weather Proofing, 93 Federal Ave. Peace restored. Advised.

ASSAULT AND BATTERY (customers argued/past), 3:37 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Case number provided. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (two males arguing), 3:45 p.m., Monroe Field, 50 Pond St. All parties sent on the way. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 6 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Arrest made for shoplifting. Report to be filed.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

SHOPLIFT (in progress), 12:45 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Two juvenile suspects issued trespass notices and driven home to their parents. Store to handle.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (business), 5:18 a.m., Neighborhood Variety, 132 East Howard St. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (two cars), 12:52 p.m., 111 Hancock St. In parking lot. Road rage incident all involved were advised and sent on the way.

DISORDER (loud drunk group), 10:49 p.m., 200 Quarry Hills Dr. Area checked out. Nothing showing.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (overnight), 120 block of Main Street. Caller believes he left his car unlocked overnight and it is rummaged through. Unknown if anything was taken. Report to be filed.

ASSAULT (in progress), 10:26 a.m., 230 Washington St. Peace restored. One half left the area. Verbal no physical.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (house egged), 11:03 a.m., 80 block of Winthrop Street. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (male), 1:46 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd. Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on the way. Store to handle.

DISORDER (car struck with door), 4:02 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Peace maintained. Information exchanged.

DISORDER (youths), 4:47 p.m., Hancock-Adams Common, 1301 Hancock St. Separated and sent on way by bicycle officers.

TRESPASS (notice issued), 8:21 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Trespass notice issued by Loss Prevention in presence of Officer Leuchte.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (an hour ago), 10:10 p.m., 6 Highpoint Cir. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (happening now), 10:14 p.m., Walmart, 310 Falls Blvd. Female suspect identified, issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

MONDAY, APRIL 22

LARCENY (reg decal), 9:44 a.m., Sullivan Tire Co., 1132 Hancock St. Spoke with all involved. Case number provided.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (liquid in gas tank), 175 Quincy Shore Dr. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (car tires tampered with), 4:28 p.m., Holiday Inn, 1 Arlington St. Report to be filed.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST, 7:06 a.m., low numbers of Miller Stile Road. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (motor vehicle), 7:59 a.m., 12 Merrill Ave. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (past), BJs, 200 Crown Colony Dr. Report to be filed.

DISORDER (autobody shop dispute), 12:16 p.m., Triangle Transmission Brake, 62 Liberty St. All involved were advised of this matter being a civil issue. Car was returned.

SHOPLIFT (two males), 3:38 p.m., CVS Pharmacy, 626 Southern Artery. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (past), 4:38 p.m., 20 block of Albertina Street. Report to be filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (last night), 6:50 p.m., 170 block of Elmwood Avenue.

Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT, 8:18 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 550 Adams St. Suspect was gone on arrival. Case number provided.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

DISORDER (over parking), 7:59 a.m., 115 Sagamore St. Peace restored. All involved sent on the way.

LARCENY (scooter), 8:36 a.m., 80 Pleasant St. Report filed.

SHOPLIFT (male and female), 1:10 p.m., Walgreen Pharmacy, 330 Hancock St. Male charged with shoplifting and resisting arrest. Female arrested for an outstanding warrant. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (past/rakes), 1:54 p.m., 30 block of Parker Street. Report filed.

SHOPLIFT (male party), 2:21 p.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St. Trespass notice issued by Loss Prevention and shoplifter sent on the way. Store to handle.

DISORDER (argument), 2:32 p.m., Neon Market Place, 453 Washington St. Verbal argument. Party was gone on officers' arrival.

DISORDER (with customer), 3:28 p.m., CVS Pharmacy, 626 Southern Artery. Advised and sent on way after getting her medications.

DISORDER (911 hang up), 4:12 p.m., Seven Eleven Store, 721 Hancock St. Disturbance with a customer. Customer given refund and sent on way.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (Sonic scooter), 10:12 p.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Report to be filed. Vehicle not registered.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

SHOPLIFT (past), 12:28 p.m., TJ Maxx, 100 Granite St. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (package), 1:49 p.m., 2001 Falls Blvd. Report to be filed.

SHOPLIFT (needs advice), 3:18 p.m., Paris Baguette, 259 Hancock St. Report filed.

SHOPLIFT (not detained), 3:23 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave. Items returned, suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

DISORDER (customer disagreement), 4:49 p.m., Water Street Petroleum, 376 Water St. Peace restored.

SHOPLIFT (male in aisle 8), 5:54 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 495 Southern Artery. Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on the way. Items returned.

Scammers Impersonating Road Toll Collection Services In Text Message Scam

By BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

If you have been on a road trip, then you're probably familiar with modern tolling systems allowing you to pay your toll fees online. If you anticipate paying for any outstanding tolls, watch out for this text message phishing scam where fraudsters impersonate toll collection services, trying to trick consumers into paying for fake outstanding tolls.

How this scam works

You receive a text message from what appears to be a state tollway collection service, like the Illinois Tollway or the Florida Turnpike. The text message says you owe a road toll fee of around \$12, but you need to pay it immediately to avoid a late fee of \$50.

The message includes a link to settle your balance, which

appears to be from the state's toll service, making the message look legitimate. However, if you click the link and provide your personal and payment information on the website, scammers could now have access to that information, and you may have lost some money.

BBB Scam Tracker has received reports of text messages that appear to be from toll collection services. One consumer recently shared, "I received a text message that stated I owed funds from using a tollway. It was not specific and since I do not use a tollway I knew it was a fraud. I deleted the message right away and blocked the number, but I believe it had included a web link."

Another consumer shared, "I was sent a text message that I owe the Florida Turnpike fee of \$12.51 or face a late fee of

\$50. I nor my husband have been anywhere near the Florida Turnpike."

How to avoid similar scams

- **Verify your outstanding toll balance with the legitimate agency.** Instead of clicking on the link in the text message, go to your web browser, find the toll service's actual website, and log in to your account to verify if you have any outstanding toll payments. Another way to verify this is by calling the toll service's customer service line. Do not call the phone number that texted you or any phone numbers included in the text message. Instead, find the toll service's legitimate phone number on their website.

- **Know the warning signs of a fake text.** If you receive an unusual text message, there are several things to look for to help you identify if it's fake. Read BBB's tips on spotting the red flags of fake text messages.

- **Don't click on links or download files that are unexpectedly texted to you.** It may be hard to identify if a link sent in a text message is safe. Scammers can disguise a URL to appear legitimate when it isn't.

- **Block the number and delete the message.** Do not engage with the scammer if you think you received a fake text message. Instead, block the phone number and delete the text message. Refusing to engage and blocking the phone number can help prevent scammers from contacting you again.

- **If you receive a text message impersonating a road toll collection service, report it.** You can file a report with BBB Scam Tracker to help warn others about this new scam. In addition, file a report with the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at ic3.gov.

AAA: Massachusetts Gas Prices Up 3 Cents; Average \$3.59

After surging by double digits a week ago, gasoline prices rose modestly in the Northeast last week on weakening demand and lower oil prices.

The Energy Information Administration reported national gasoline demand fell from 8.6 to 8.4 million barrels a day last week. That's nearly 1.1 million fewer barrels per day of demand than the comparable week

last year. Meanwhile, oil prices remain below \$90 a barrel, which will help ease pressure on gas prices.

The average gas price in Massachusetts is up 3 cents over last week (\$3.56), averaging \$3.59 per gallon. Monday's price is 29 cents higher than a month ago (\$3.30) and 9 cents higher than April 29, 2023 (\$3.50). Massachusetts's average gas price is 6 cents lower than

the national average.

"The switchover to summer blend earlier this month spiked pump prices in the Northeast, but weak demand is sapping the momentum for further price increases," said Mark Schieldrop, Senior Spokesperson for AAA Northeast. "As we enter a seasonal lull in travel before Memorial Day and the unofficial start of the summer driving season, prices could level off—or even fall—in

the interim. When it comes to gasoline prices, driving-fueled demand is always in the driver's seat."

AAA Northeast's April 29 survey of fuel prices found the current national average to be down 2 cents from last week (\$3.67), averaging \$3.65 a gallon. Monday's national average price is 12 cents higher than a month ago (\$3.53) and 4 cents higher than this day last year (\$3.61).

Quincy Choral Society Concert Performance May 12

Under the direction of Sarah Labrie, Quincy Choral Society will perform works by French romantic-style composers including Gounod, Saint-Saens, and Faure followed by the featured masterwork, Maurice Durufle's Requiem, composed in 1947. The May 12 performance includes soloists Alexandra Dietrich, mezzo-soprano, Nathan Halbur, baritone, Dr. Ming-Hui Lin, cello, and organist Dr. Juan A. Mesa.

Although this is a 20th century work, much of the Durufle Requiem is based on Gregorian chant and the Gregorian Mass for the Dead. At times Durufle respects the musical text, and at others he is simply inspired by it. But the work is faithful to the characteristics of Gregorian style including holiness, lyricism, free-flowing meter, and serenity.

The performance will be held at St. Mary of the Hills Church, 29 St. Mary's Road, Milton, on Sunday, May 12 at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and will be available at the door.

Alexandra Dietrich is a Puerto Rican-American known in New England for her work as a stage director, mezzo-soprano, voice teacher, and arts and social justice advocate. In the fall of 2019, Ms. Dietrich joined the voice faculty at the University of Southern Maine as an Artist Faculty. Ms. Dietrich has performed with many New England area opera companies and orchestras including Odyssey Opera, Juventas New Music Ensemble, Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra, OperaHub, and MassOpera. In 2023, she performed in

Quincy Choral Society's performance of the Mozart Requiem. In past seasons, Ms. Dietrich performed as the Alto Artist in Residence with the Metropolitan Chorale of Brookline. Notably, Ms. Dietrich performed featured back-up solo quartet vocals for Josh Groban at Tanglewood at the Koussevitzky Music Shed. Favorite roles include Jade Boucher in "Dead Man Walking", Carmen, and Zita in "Gianni Schicchi."

Nathan Halbur is a baritone and composer based in Boston. His eclectic career includes performing semi-improvised opera with Grammy winner Esperanza Spalding in the world premiere of Wayne Shorter's "Iphigenia" and voicing Dr. Seuss's Grinch for the Boston Pops. He has sung numerous works by J.S. Bach with Emmanuel Music, Boston Baroque, and Cantata Singers. His compositions and arrangements have been performed by choral and jazz vocal ensembles throughout the United States, and his song "Sigh no more" (set to lyrics by Shakespeare) was recently featured at the Sparks & Wiry Cries GRAND songSLAM in Chicago. He is currently producing an album of completely improvised a cappella music for Nightingale Vocal Ensemble to be titled Composition Sped Up. He is also in an experimental pop band called DREAMGLOW, which reimagines music from the classical canon in an electronic lo-fi aesthetic.

Ming-Hui Lin is a versatile cellist and pianist,



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Courtesy Photo

chamber musician, teacher, and coach. A native of Taiwan, Ms. Lin completed her Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Boston University and received degrees from Peabody Conservatory and the Taipei National University of the Arts. She is a member of the faculty of the Preparatory School at New England Conservatory. Ms. Lin has served as a chamber coach for the Young People's String Orchestra under the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra since 2010. As a founding member and cellist of the New England String Quartet, Ms. Lin performs extensively in Boston and the New England area. She provides chamber music coaching at Harvard University's Dudley House where the Quartet was recently appointed Ensemble-In-Residence. Ms. Lin also performs with Vermont Symphony Orchestra, Boston Modern Orchestra Project, Symphony Nova, and Claflin Hill Symphony Orchestra.

A native of Chile, Dr. Juan A. Mesa holds a Bachelor of Music degree in organ performance and composition from Western Connecticut State University and both a Master of Music degree in organ performance and a PhD in Music Theory from Indiana University. Mesa has performed solo recitals across the US, Canada, Chile, and Argentina and has collaborated with the Indiana-based Exordium Baroque Ensemble, Boston's MIRIAM, and the University of Notre Dame's Children's Choir. He is co-founder of Le Note Diverse, a Boston-based early music ensemble specializing in under-researched music for plucked instruments and early keyboards. As a conductor, he has specialized in historically-informed performances of baroque and

early classical repertoire. He is currently College Organist and Assistant Professor of Music Performance (organ) at Wheaton College in Norton, MA, and Director of Music and Organist at St. Leonard's Church in Boston's North End.

Boston-based conductor, singer, and music educator, Sarah Labrie, is a Choral Director at Lexington High School in Lexington, MA. She was previously a Choral Director at Stoughton High School in Stoughton, MA. Ms. Labrie also serves as the Artistic Director of Quincy Choral Society. In spring 2023 she was recognized for significant contributions to Arts and Culture as Artistic Director of Quincy Choral Society and was awarded the prestigious Abigail Adams Award from the City of Quincy and Mayor Thomas P. Koch. Ms. Labrie actively sings with the Tanglewood Festival Chorus and Boston Symphony Orchestra and

in numerous other choral performances throughout North America and Europe. She has also sung professionally in symphonic choirs alongside the New York Philharmonic, Boston Pops, Vienna Philharmonic, Vienna Chamber Orchestra, Philadelphia Orchestra, and New Jersey Symphony Orchestra.

Virginia "Gingy" Grimes, a graduate of Duke University, has served as collaborative accompanist for Quincy Choral Society since 1993. She is pianist for North Quincy and Quincy High Schools. Ms. Grimes also teaches and accompanies at Milton Academy.

Quincy Choral Society was founded in 1981 for the purpose of bringing musical excellence to the South

Shore and the world. In December 2015, the Quincy City Council recognized Quincy Choral Society for bringing music and joy to the City of Quincy for 35 years. The chorus performs locally and has performed in music festivals in Washington, D.C., in Europe, at Carnegie Hall as part of the Masterworks Series, and most recently in Montreal and Quebec. In September 2018, the chorus participated in the Dedication of the Hancock - Adams Common. The chorus appeared at the invitation of Mayor Thomas Koch at Quincy's Pops concert in September 2022, and since then this collaborative concert with the Quincy Symphony Orchestra has been an annual highlight of the Quincy community.

Seaside Social Club

Program May 14:

Tracing Your Family Tree

The Seaside Social Club of the Houghs Neck Congregational Church will meet on Tuesday, May 14.

The club will welcome Mike Brophy, of Brophy Genealogy and Heir Searching as the guest speaker at 7 p.m. for a program entitled "Tracing Your Family Tree."

Brophy is a nationally known, professional genealogical researcher, heir search specialist, and lecturer from the Boston area. He was featured on the TV series "Who Do You Think You Are?" and the Irish TV series "Dead Money," a genealogy show about heir searchers. Brophy was hired to conduct research for Ancestry.com and several historical authors.

The lecture will cover the basics of starting out in the search of one's ances-

try. Topics to be covered are first why do we study our ancestry and what makes it so compelling? Basic methodology will be explained along with the first steps to beginning research. Record sources such as vital records (birth, marriage, death) will be explored along with census, passenger lists, naturalizations, and cemeteries.

Examples will be given with noteworthy and common people from various time periods and ethnic groups. Recent advances in the field such as DNA and the internet with popular websites will be discussed. The program is free and open to the public.

Club members will meet in the sanctuary at 6:15 p.m. for the installation of the officers for the coming year, followed by a brief business meeting.

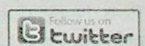
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6:00pm: Bethany Congregational Church
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Friday, May 3
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
7:00pm: AM Quincy: State Rep. Tackey Chan

Saturday, May 4
12:00pm: Quincy Community Electric Meeting
2:00pm: QHS vs. New Bedford Volleyball 4/29

Sunday, May 5
11:30am: Quincy Point Church Good News
1:00pm: The Call

Monday, May 6
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
8:00pm: Quincy Symphony Orchestra Concert

Tuesday, May 7
7:00am: LIVE: AM Quincy with Joe Catalano
7:30pm: LIVE: Whispers from the Other Side

Wednesday, May 8
6:00pm: Quincy Point Church Good News
7:00pm: The Call

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Thursday, May 2
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 4/23
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 4/23

Friday, May 3
10:30am: Health Links: Aging Strong
8:00pm: Planning Board: 4/17

Saturday/Sunday, May 4/5
10:00am: Good Deeds: Quarterly Update
10:30am: In Your Neighborhood: Ward 2
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7:00pm: City Council

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Councillors Begin Review Of Garages, Downtown Plan

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During the April 22 meeting, Chris Walker, the chief of staff to Mayor Thomas Koch, said the actual amount the city will have to borrow would be "substantially lower" than \$157 million because other funding sources are available. For example, the state has approved up to \$40 million in funding for Quincy Center through the I-Cubed program, which could be unlocked by the mixed-use developments on the former Ross Lot.

"We have qualified and have had consistent approvals for the state's I-Cubed economic development grant program," Walker said. "We know the Healey-Driscoll administration is engaged on this program. We've had approval for upwards of a decade on this and ultimately that could provide upwards of \$40 million for these garages because of the economic activity that is going to be produced by these two private developments."

The disposition of municipal land will provide the city with additional revenue as well, Walker said. Atlantic Development will pay the city \$7.3 million for the 66,244-square-foot parcel of land on which it plans to construct the mixed-use development that will include the specialty grocer, for example.

"There is a number of those land purchases from previous DIFs that we purchased the property and the time is coming, we're going to be disposing as part of this project," Walker said. "That's another major revenue source that we're going to have in the downtown."

Parking receipts from the downtown will provide the city with source an additional of revenue, Walker added.

The two new parking garages proposed for the downtown are identified as Ross North Garage and Ross South Garage.

Ross North Garage would have room for 500 spaces and would be constructed as part of FoxRock Properties' project that also includes a medical office building and a pair of retail spaces. The bond includes \$50 million for that garage.

Ross South Garage would house 950 parking spaces, including surface ones, and would be constructed as part of Atlantic Development's project that also includes a specialty grocery store and 300 apartments. The bond request includes \$78 million for the construction of that garage.

Holli Roche Robinson, managing partner for Granite City Partners, said

construction of the two garages could begin as soon as this summer. The garages will take approximately 18 months to complete, putting them on pace to open in late 2025 or the spring of 2026.

Walker said the city is in the midst of determining what the parking rates for the garages will be. The city and developers also have to determine how many spaces within the garages will be leased by the developers.

The bond also sets aside \$5.52 million for environmental remediation. That money would be used to remediate three sites including Ross North Garage, Ross South Garage, and the land at 1455 and 1459 Hancock St., where the city plans to build a pocket park between a pair of new mixed-use buildings.

Also included within the bond is \$761,000 to remediate and demolish the building at 1384 Hancock St., currently home to Acapulco's Restaurant. A park honoring John Quincy Adams is planned for that site.

"We're proposing to demolish that building in order to create a passive park to honor John Quincy Adams, the sixth president of the United States, statesman and congressman," Roche Robinson said. "That location would put the park along the Presidents Trail, so as people walk from Peacefield to the Abigail Adams Cairn, there would be a stop honoring the sixth president."

In addition, the bond includes \$2.6 million for surface improvements, which would be for the John Quincy Adams park.

The bond also includes \$8.72 million for utility improvements, namely relocating the overhead utilities on Coddington Street to the underground. Roche Robinson said moving those utilities, which feed into the nearby public safety headquarters, underground would protect them from vehicular crashes and high winds while also providing additional room on the sidewalk for pedestrians.

Also included in the bond is \$3.45 million for consultant services, \$2.86 million for legal services and \$750,000 for operations.

The district improvement financing program allows the city to borrow money for improvements in Quincy Center and pay it off using new tax revenue generated within the downtown. Four DIF bonds, totaling \$234 million, have been approved since 2007 for various improvements in the area.

Eric Mason, the city's director of municipal finance, said there would be sufficient revenues generated in

the downtown to pay off the DIF bonds. The city is projected to take in less in DIF revenue than what it pays for debt service between fiscal years 2035 and 2046, Mason said, but surplus DIF revenue in the years prior to fiscal year 2035 could be used to make up for those deficits. Overall between fiscal years 2025 and 2064, the city will take in \$28 million more in DIF revenue than what it pays in debt service.

Mason also said that while the DIF mechanism has a 30-year lifespan, meaning it would end in 2037, the revenue sources would not be going away after that point.

The Urban Revitalization and Development Plan for Quincy Center was initially approved in 2007 and has been amended five times so far. The most recent URDP amendment was approved in May 2019.

The amendment now pending before the City Council would more than double the size of the project area, increasing it from 62 to 130 acres.

The amendment would expand the project area to include the lots on Granite Street that are home to the Star Market and Granite Place shopping centers. Mixed-use development is seen in that area, which is currently home to large surface parking lots.

"Based on our assessment of the market conditions as well as some interest expressed by developers, there is a real interest to minimize the amount of surface parking in that area by Star Market and across Hannon Parkway where TJ Maxx is and get more development in there," said Jef Fasser, a vice president with BSC Group. "The new development would have parking within that development footprint."

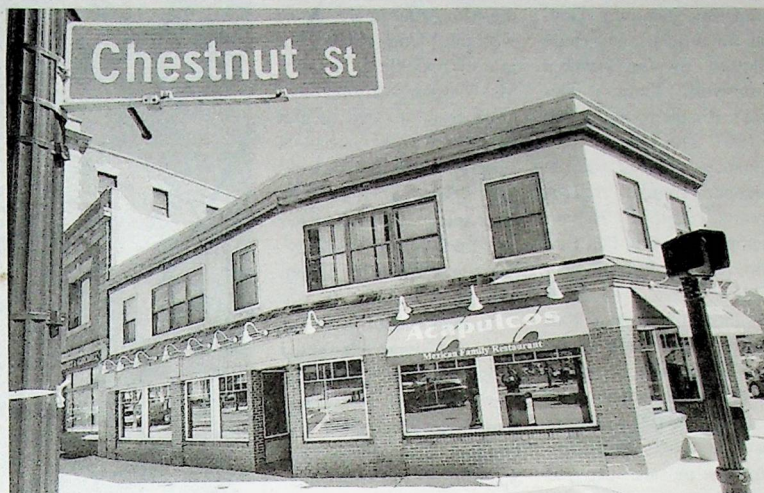
The southern boundary of the project area would also be shifted so that the northern half of School Street would now be in the project area.

"This is more of a long-term vision for this area," Fasser said. "The Granite Street area is more immediate. School Street may be a 10- to 20-year window to develop that area."

The northern boundary of the project area would also be shifted from Dimmock Street to Alleyne Street. That means the future home of the Adams Presidential Center on Adams Street would now be within the project area.

"This is also an important gateway into downtown," Fasser said. "This presidential center will really be pro-

Quincy Center Urban Renewal Plan Map Of Potential Acquisition Parcels - Page 15



THE BUILDING AT 1384 Hancock St. at the corner of Chestnut Street in Quincy Center, currently home to Acapulco's Restaurant, is among the parcels the city has targeted for acquisition. The building would be demolished and a park honoring John Quincy Adams is planned for the site. The restaurant remains open at this time. The adjacent commercial property at 1372 Hancock St. — where The Quincy Sun and other businesses and professionals are located — is not included in the acquisition plan. That property, known as the Quincy Savings Bank Building, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A map showing all the proposed parcel acquisitions appears on Page 15.

Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth

moting citizenship, public service, and will include upgrades to Freedom Park and there will certainly be need for infrastructure improvements associated with that project."

The project area would also be expanded within the vicinity of the Francis X. Bellotti Courthouse. The state is in the midst of designing a new regional justice center that would replace the district courthouse that is there now.

In addition to 1384 Hancock St., where the John Quincy Adams park would be located, the proposed amendment identifies a number of other properties for potential acquisition.

Those properties include 36 Adams St., home to Adams Street Dermatology, 40 Adams Street, home to Planet Fitness, and the parking lot at 45 Adams St. Those properties "will be developed for the proposed Adams Presidential Center," according to the URDP.

Also identified for potential acquisition is the property at 1147 Hancock St. and 12 Dimmock St., which is home to 34 office condominium units. The property has been identified for potential acquisition because the city "may need to acquire a portion of the parcel's land along Dimmock Street for roadway improvements related to the MBTA Quincy Center Station."

Further identified for potential acquisition are the properties at 25 and 33 Bigelow St., 128 Washington St., and 51 McGrath Hwy for flood control; 15, 25, and 29 Mechanic St. for residential redevelopment; 148 and 150 Granite St. for residential development; and 1505 Hancock St., for mixed-use

development.

Following the presentation, Councillor Noel DiBona said it was important for Quincy to continue with the redevelopment efforts. He said that Braintree — though he did not identify the town by name — is facing a budget shortfall of up to \$8 million next fiscal year and may have to lay off 100 teachers.

"I would not want to see what's happening to the neighboring town happen here," DiBona said. "We've got to redevelop, especially a lot of the blighted properties across the downtown, across the city in general. This is our economic engine that will put us into the next gear."

Ward 4 Councillor James Devine said the infrastructure improvements proposed would help ensure the specialty grocer would come to Quincy.

"It is a big bill, I know, but it's an amazing project," he said. "Everybody wants this specialty market. In order to get them here we have to do this infrastructure."

Devine also asked if the MBTA planned to have a bus route providing service to the specialty grocer and the medical office building. James Fatseas, the city's planning director, said the MBTA does intend to have a route running along General McConville Way to provide service to those buildings.

Councillor Nina Liang, who is the chairperson of the council's downtown and economic growth committee, asked how business owners and residents can learn more about the city's plans and engage in the process.

"There is a lot of information for us to digest up here

and the folks who are paying attention this evening, but for those who aren't or any of the business owners in the area or even people who aren't in the area who are interested in what we are doing...thinking about all of the parties involved who want to be part of this process, what is the opportunity for them to engage?" Liang said.

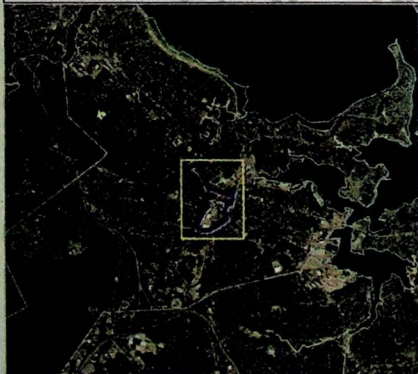
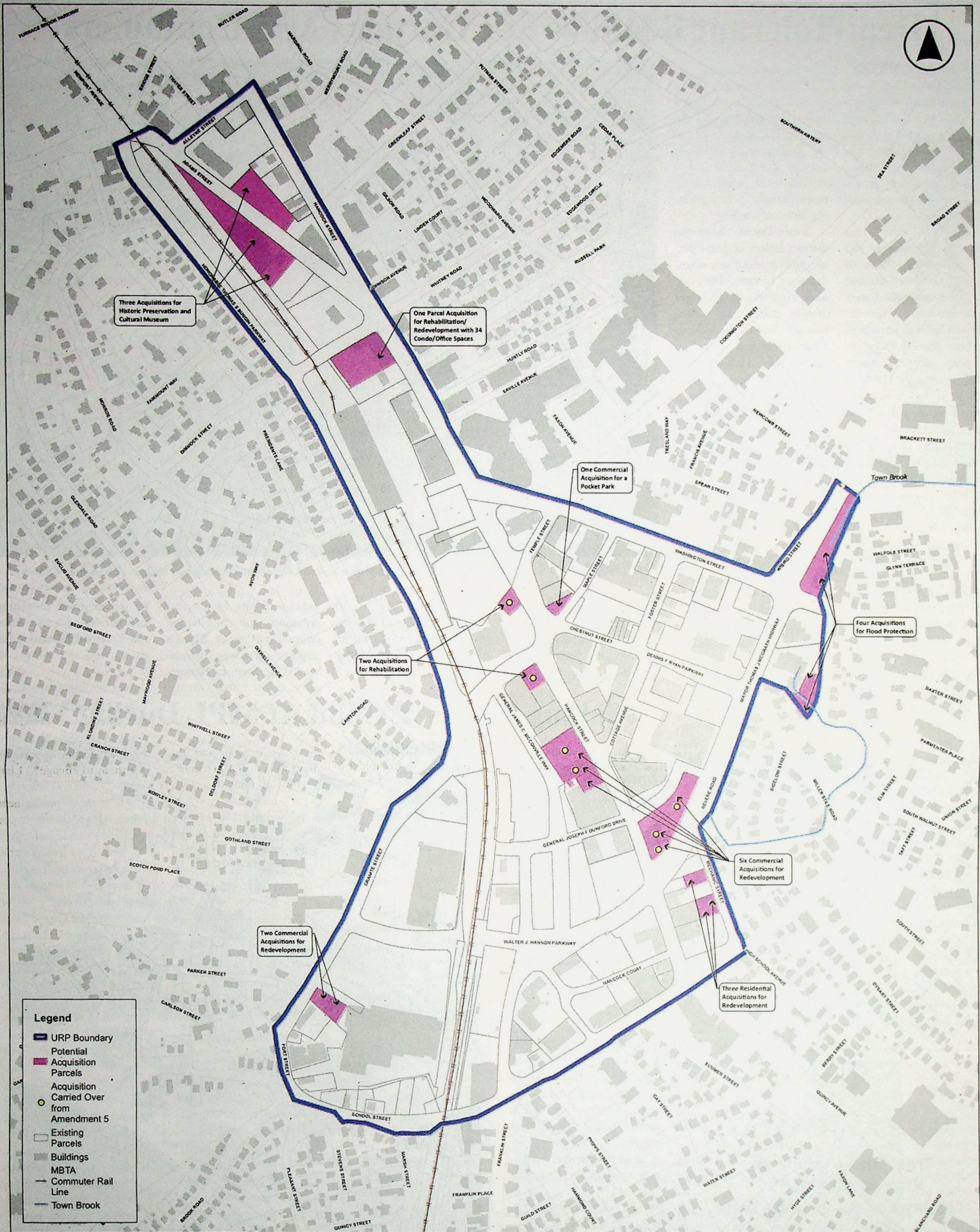
"Is it those public hearings...or are there opportunities outside of those designated meetings for any current residents and/or business owners or even future ones to engage or find out more information?"

Fatseas said both the DIF funding request and the proposed URDP can be reviewed online on the Planning Department's page on the city's website, quincyma.gov. Anyone with additional questions can reach out to the department directly, Fatseas said; email is the preferred method of contacting the department.

Ward 1 Councillor David McCarthy, the chairperson of the finance committee, encouraged his colleagues to review the information submitted to them ahead of the next committee hearing.

"We've gone through a number of DIF amendments and changes over the years, we've got a lot of new faces, but it is gaining traction. We've seen it in the last ten years, everybody has, and it definitely has turned the corner," McCarthy said.

"I recommend before we come back taking a hard look at the package Mr. Mason just talked about, this package, email them questions about financing, about DIF payments, so we make sure we cover all the bases."



QUINCY CENTER URBAN RENEWAL PLAN - AMENDMENT 6

E-1: Potential Acquisition Parcels

Quincy, MA

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BSC GROUP
Source: MassGIS, BSC, City of Quincy

ACQUISITION MAP showing the proposed new boundaries of the URDP project area in Quincy Center along with parcels in the downtown identified for potential acquisition. The City Council has begun the process of reviewing the URDP and a \$157 million bond for downtown improvements.

Courtesy City of Quincy

Heat-Tolerant Beauties For Gardens And Containers

By MELINDA MYERS

Boost the summer-long beauty and heat tolerance in your gardens and containers with new varieties of annual vinca (Catharanthus). The unique Soiree vinca varieties provide added appeal with their cute, double, and ruffled flowers.

Annual vincas, also known as Madagascar and Rose periwinkle, thrive in full sun and well-drained soil. Once established they are drought tolerant. Similar in growth habit as impatiens but these flowers thrive in hot sunny locations where impatiens struggle. Hardy in zones 10 and 11, vincas are grown as an annual in most parts of the country.

Include annual vincas in containers, hanging baskets, and garden beds. Mix them with other plants or allow them to shine on their own.

Soiree Kawaii vincas light up any garden with their vibrant mini flowers. You'll enjoy an abundance of flowers that cover the 9 to 18" tall by 12 to 18" wide mound of glossy deep green foliage. No need to prune away long leggy branches as this plant maintains its compact habit all season long. Kawaii means cute in Japanese and these flowers certainly are just that.

Select from eight Soiree Kawaii (suntoryflowers.com) flower colors ranging from white to coral, purple, and red. Add some sizzle with Paprika Red, a patriot flare with the Lady Liberty Mix, or a harmonious mix of pinks and purple in the Berry Blast mix. Grow White Peppermint, Coral, or Coral Reef Soiree Kawaii if the disease phytophthora has been a problem in the past. These three are as resistant to this disease as Cora XDR, the gold standard of phy-

tophthora resistance.

Visitors to your garden will take a second look when you add Soiree Double and Flamenco vincas to the landscape. Their unique flowers don't look like a typical vinca, adding a bit more pizzazz to any planting and combination.

Soiree Doubles have two distinct layers of frilly petals and produce an abundance of blooms. They are more vigorous, with a larger growth habit than Soiree Kawaii. These plants have a larger leaf and body. You can select from white-, pink- or orchid-colored flowers that bloom all season long. Don't be fooled by their delicate appearance, Soiree Doubles are as heat tolerant as other annual vincas.

Unlike any other vinca, the Soiree Flamenco puts on a display as fancy as that of a flamenco dancer. The ruffled petals may be solid or bicolor. This plant grows 8 to 12" tall and 15 to 20" wide. It has the same heat tolerance, glossy green foliage, and compact growth habit as the other Soiree vincas.

Senorita Pink Flamenco flowers have a dark pink eye surrounded by a lighter pink blending into the white outer edges of the frilly petals. Contrast that with the deep maroon ruffled petals with a bright terracotta edge of Salsa Red. Salmon Glow's white eye contrasts nicely with salmon peach. Pink Twist has the most curled flowers in a lovely pink, adding to its appeal.

Look for opportunities to add some unique flare to this year's garden and containers. You'll enjoy their season-long beauty and the oohs and aahs they inspire.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 garden-



SOIREE VINCAS are drought tolerant, thrive in full sun, and add lots of color all summer with an abundance of flowers.

Photo courtesy of Suntory Flowers

ing books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The

Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD and instant video series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment

radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Suntory Flowers

for her expertise in writing this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

'Making Waves' Exhibit At MPL During May

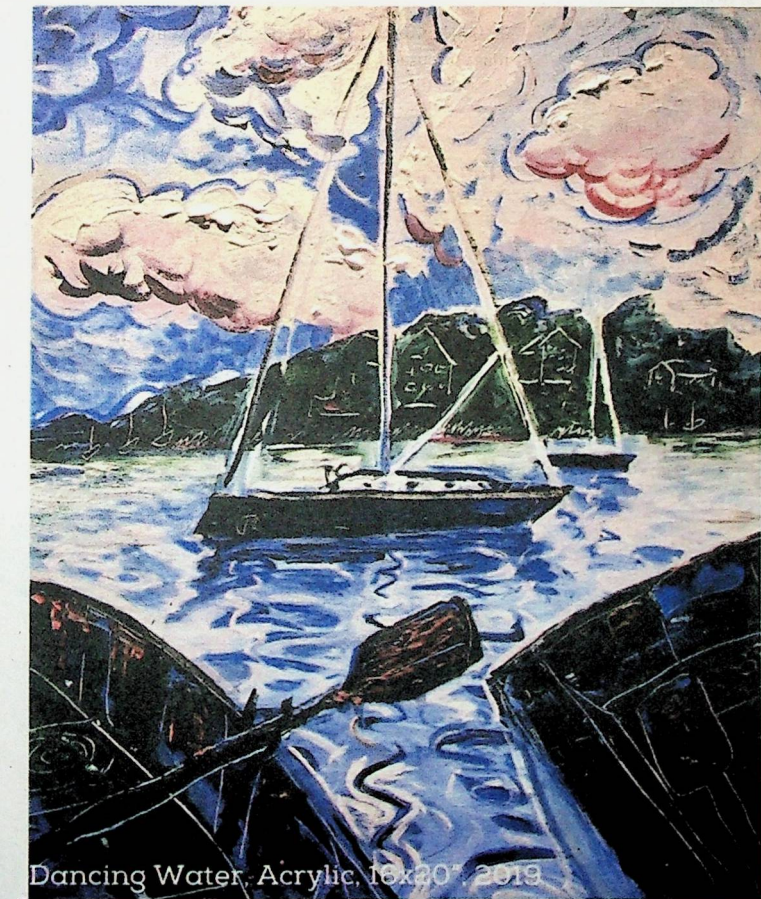
Featuring Painter
John Anthony
Lawrence

Milton painter John Anthony Lawrence will show an exhibit of his paintings in the Milton Public Library's Wotiz Gallery during the month of May.

Lawrence creates lovely, colorful pieces using both acrylic and watercolor, and many of his images are seascapes and landscapes. This May exhibition is called: "Making Waves" and it will compare and contrast paintings of New England with paintings inspired from other regions (Florida, California and the Carolinas) and with the work of other artists.

In addition to land images and seascapes, Lawrence paints other subjects such as animals, still life, pools, islands, the interior of homes, people, and more. This is a very nice collection of work by a talented painter. The public is invited to visit the MPL in May to view and enjoy it.

There will also be a free and open reception held on Thursday, May 16th, from 6-8 p.m. in the gallery when



Dancing Water, Acrylic, 16x20", 2019

ACRYLIC ENTITLED "Dancing Water" is among the paintings by artist John Anthony Lawrence on exhibit at Milton Public Library during the month of May.

Courtesy Photo

everyone is welcome to come and meet the artist.

If you would like apply

to display your art at the Milton Public Library, email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or

call the Reference Dept. at 617-898-4964 for an application.

NQHS Class Of 1964 To Hold 60th Reunion June 28

North Quincy High School Class of 1964 will hold its 60th reunion Friday, June 28 from 2 to 6 p.m. at Boston Winery, 26 Ericson St., Boston (just over the Neponset Bridge, next to Venezia.)

Beer and wine will be served along with an array of ap-

petizers, antipasto, cheese and fruit platter. Dress is casual and there will be a cash bar.

Tickets are \$70 per person.

For more information visit: www.northquincy64.com.



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A TEMPORARY 120-foot by 60-foot outdoor rink set up in the area of General McConville Way to the south of the Generals Bridge this past winter was very popular drawing thousands of skaters. City officials will look for a new location within Quincy Center for a temporary outdoor ice rink for the coming winter. Quincy Sun File Photo/Robert Bosworth

New Location Sought For Outdoor Skating Rink

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said officials will look at other locations within Quincy Center for the outdoor rink.

"Presumably, the spot we had it at this year is going to be under development next year from what I understand. I'm not in the Planning Department, I don't have first-hand knowledge of this, but my understanding is that where we had it last year is likely to be unavailable next year," Murphy said.

"I haven't heard a bad word about the rink, and I think there is a strong desire from people both in government, the mayor, and the community to continue this. Now with that spot unavailable, we would want to look at another location in the downtown."

Having the outdoor rink in Quincy Center is beneficial to not only those who use it, but also to area businesses those skaters may choose to visit.

"Ultimately what we do

is we entertain, and we try to provide quality of life. It helps if it has some type of economic driver with it. If we can draw people into an area at a time — the restaurants in January and February, it's probably the slowest time of year after the holidays. To draw, 30,000, 40,000, however many thousand people used the rink this year, if a por-

tion of those people are now eating at the pizza shops and restaurants, et cetera, I think that's good for everybody," Murphy said.

"I do think the downtown is the right place for it. I think there has to be process by which we look at what's an appropriate location. Infrastructure is a concern. Parking is a concern. But I do think if, from what I un-

derstand, that place is going to be unavailable for next year we're going to have to find another location."

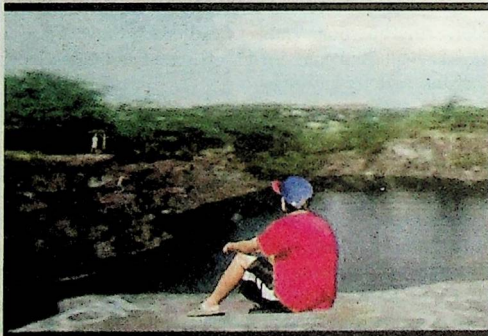
Given the success of the rink this past winter, Murphy said a location that would support a larger rink would be preferable.

"Honestly, looking at what we did this year and the success we've had, if we could find a spot that would even allow us to increase the size of the rink to allow for more people on the ice at any given time — we had to go to a system where we had

to preregister and we had to limit it to Quincy residents because it was so popular. I don't think it's going to be less popular next year. I think it's going to continue to grow as word of mouth gets out," he said. "So, we'd be looking to expand that."

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QNN Softball Walks Off With Win Over Hanover, 7-6

By TOM JOYCE

Getting a softball thrown at you hurts, but sometimes it wins you a game.

The Quincy/North Quincy High softball team trailed by a run going into the last frame of its home game against the Hanover Hawks April 25, but it made a comeback. QNN won the game 7-6 – a game decided on a walk-off hit-by-pitch with the bases loaded. With the win, QNN improved to 3-3 on the season.

Trailing by a run in the bottom of the seventh, QNN rallied back for a win. Gianna Bassett and Chloe Melchin started things off with singles to centerfield, putting runners on first and third with no outs. Caroline O'Donnell then blasted an RBI double off the wall to tie the game.

With runners on second and third, Hanover intentionally walked a batter to load the bases. The next hitter worked a full count but eventually popped out to third base.

Yet, Hanover was unable to escape the jam. Its pitcher plunked several batters during the game, including Bridget Colleton with the bases loaded in the bottom of the seventh, resulting in

the walk-off hit-by-pitch.

Though QNN won the game, the contest had several lead changes.

Hanover got on the scoreboard first in this game but wouldn't hold its initial lead for long. Hanover scored a run in the top of the first inning on an RBI single, but QNN responded with two runs in the bottom of the frame.

Thea Bandzak tripled, putting a runner in scoring position; Bassett knocked her in with an RBI double off the wall. Then, Melchin knocked in an RBI single, giving the team a 2-1 lead.

Neither team scored in the second inning, though both teams threatened. Hanover had three runners reach base in the top of the second, including one on a fielder's choice. However, a Hanover player lined out to Melchin, ending the inning. Two batters reached base for QNN, but Hanover got a couple of outs, preventing the home team from capitalizing with a runner in scoring position.

Neither side scored in the third or fourth inning, either. And QNN pitcher Serena Swan shined in the fourth inning, striking out two batters. O'Donnell also

doubled in the bottom of the fourth, and a sacrifice moved her over to third base, but QNN was unable to knock her in.

Hanover regained the lead in the top of the fifth with an offensive-packed inning. The team tied the game on an infield error and took the lead on a sacrifice fly shortly after. A double hit to the outfield scored two more runs, giving Hanover a 5-2 advantage. One QNN runner reached base in the bottom of the fifth, but she was thrown out while trying to steal second base.

Hanover's lead got as big as 6-2, thanks to an RBI single in the top of the sixth. However, the team also left the bases loaded as QNN escaped a jam by inducing an out.

QNN's comeback started in the bottom of the sixth as O'Donnell stepped up to the plate with the bases loaded. She smacked a bases-clearing triple to make it 6-5 – making the bottom of the seventh comeback more feasible.

With its win over Hanover, QNN took two of the three games it played last week. Though the team started the week with a 13-0 loss to Norwell, April 22, it

defeated Duxbury 18-11 one day later.

The game marked the first of two scheduled matchups between QNN and Hanover this season. QNN will also face Hanover on the road on Thursday, May 16. First pitch 4 p.m.

The roster for QNN this season includes: junior Serena Swan, senior captain Mary Saccoach, freshman Marilyn Bonica, senior Avery Abrahamovich, junior

Adriana Taglieri, freshman Josie Magnarelli, junior Cady Barrett, senior captain Paige Mann, junior Bridget Colleton, sophomore Thea Bandzak, sophomore Gianna Bassett, junior Sarah Buck-Cucinatta, freshman Amelia Mattie, sophomore Miyana Johnson, junior Alexandra Hoey-Ventura, sophomore Anna Crump, junior Chloe Melchin, freshman Gianna Gonzalez, freshman Kalya Dai-

ley, senior captain Caroline O'Donnell, senior Lauren Nee, and junior Emma Collins. The team's head coaches are Suzanna Friel and Leann McCogan.

The next game for QNN will take place next Monday, May 6, on the road against the Brockton Boxers (4 p.m. start time). QNN previously defeated Brockton 17-1 at home on April 1 to open its regular season.

NQ Boys' Volleyball Sweeps Barnstable

By TOM JOYCE

Each set was tight, but the North Quincy High boys' volleyball team came through when it needed to most.

The Raiders faced a tough opponent, the Barnstable Red Hawks, at home April 26. It was a match where no one set was decided by more than three points. Fortunately for the Raiders, they played some of their best volleyball late in sets and prevailed in a 3-0 sweep. With the win, the Raiders improved to 5-5 on the season.

The first set, which the Raiders won 25-23, was their biggest win of the day. It was tied at several points, as both teams seemed to thwart one another's momentum after they scored a

point. However, the Raiders capitalized on some Barnstable mistakes late in the set. Three straight hitting errors against the road team took it from a 22-21 set with the Raiders trailing by a point to a 24-22 set where the Raiders led by two. That discipline on defense paid off for the Raiders, putting them in a situation where they only needed one more point to take the first set.

While Barnstable got a point back with a kill right in front of the net that the Raiders could not defend, it was unable to make a first-set comeback.

With Barnstable serving, Cameron Johnston had a high hit back over to the Barnstable side, and the team wasn't able to offer a clean hit back over to the

Raiders side. The ball went off the ceiling on Barnstable's initial hit, making a clean return less feasible. Ultimately, Barnstable's final hit went out of bounds, giving the Raiders the set, 25-23.

Similar to the first set, the second set was also highly competitive throughout, but it was the Raiders' largest margin of victory of any of the three sets: three points.

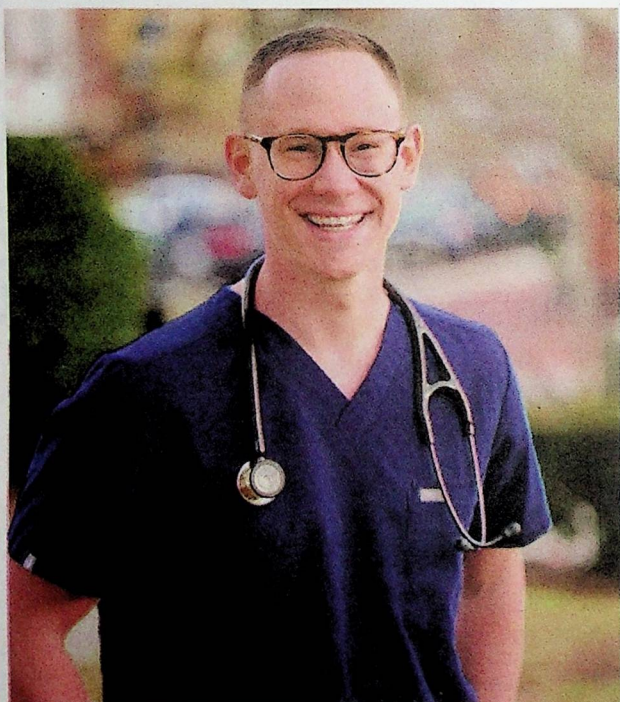
The Raiders led 22-21 late in the set, but Barnstable tied things up a 22 apiece with a kill. From there, the Raiders were the dominant team, finishing the set on a 3-0 run to take it, 25-22.

With Barnstable serving and the set tied at 22 apiece, it looked like the road team might have an opportunity to make a comeback – but it squandered the opportunity. Barnstable's serve crashed into the net and failed to go over, giving the Raiders a point.

Then, Xuan Chen capitalized on Barnstable's positioning during a volley. He hit the ball to a spot where there were no defenders, and Barnstable's attempt to keep the ball in play was unsuccessful, putting the Raiders up by two points. After that, Barnstable had a net violation while defending a spike from Ben Walinjom. That gave the Raiders another point – and the set victory.

The third and final set of the contest was the tightest of the bunch, but the Raiders once again got points when

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Morrisette Legion Senior, Junior Baseball Tryouts

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Senior Legion is 19 and under. Junior Legion is 17 and under. Any questions contact head coach Steve Maze at [morisetteball@aol.com](mailto:morrisetteball@aol.com). Visit Morrisette Legion Baseball's Facebook page for any changes.

NQHS Class Of 1969 To Hold 55th Reunion June 14

North Quincy High School Class of 1969 will hold its 55th reunion on Friday, June 14 from 7-11 p.m. at The View Restaurant at Presidents Golf Course (formerly Wollaston Golf Club), 57 West Squantum St., Quincy.

Pizza and appetizers will be served and DJ will provide entertainment. There will be a cash bar.

Tickets are \$40 per person.

For more information, email NQHS1969@gmail.com.

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North Quincy Boys' Volleyball Sweeps Barnstable

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they needed them most.

With the set tied at 23 apiece, the Raiders got a point thanks to a block from Johnston and Justin Liu. However, a serving error against the Raiders gave Barnstable a point, tying things at 24 apiece.

From there, Johnston got the Raiders both points they needed to win the set -- and the match. He had a spike on the right side of the court to give the Raiders a 25-24 edge. Then, he smashed the ball to the left on match

point; a Barnstable player tried to defend against the shot but missed, so the Raiders won the set 26-24.

The win over Barnstable snapped a two-game losing skid for the Raiders. They started last week with a 3-2 loss to Milford and a 3-1 loss against Greater New Bedford Vo-Tech on April 22 and April 24, respectively.

As of the start of this week, four of the Raiders' five wins had come via 3-0 sweeps. Additionally, all of the Raiders wins this season

as of the start of this week had come at home, and they were 5-1 at home.

The match against Barnstable was the first of two for these teams this season. The Raiders will also face Barnstable on the road on Thursday, May 16 (5:15 p.m. start time).

The Raiders have plenty of experience this season, with 12 seniors on the team.

The roster for the Raiders this season includes: junior Brandon Wu, senior Raymond Lin, senior Eric Zhao, freshman Ryan Thong, se-

nior Xuan Chen, senior Victor Liao, senior Arli Dylja, freshman Jaden Li, junior Eugene Foong, senior Thomas Ford, senior Loukas Fehan, senior Justin Liu, freshman Anderson Chen, senior captain Anthony Chiu, senior captain Cameron Johnston, senior Steven Chen, senior Ben Walinjom, and freshman Armado Vega. Megan Johnston is the team's head coach.

The next game for the Raiders will take place on Friday, May 3, on the road against Brookline (5:15 p.m. start time).

MA House OKs Chapter 90 Road Authorization

Last week the Massachusetts Legislature gave municipalities around the Commonwealth a critical tool to make improvements to local transportation infrastructure by overwhelmingly passing a final bill to authorize Chapter 90 road funding.

The legislation includes a total of \$375 million in bond authorization. Every city and town in the Commonwealth would receive a share of \$200 million in funding to be used on maintenance and construction of roads and bridges. Separately, \$150 million would be allocated equally to six programs targeting specific transportation infrastructure, including \$25 million for roads and bridges to cities and towns through the rural roads program. Quincy is set to receive \$1,874,058 in Chapter 90 funding to address its transportation infrastructure needs.

"Providing funding for critical infrastructure projects through investments in the Commonwealth's public transportation, roads, and bridges is one of the most important responsibilities that we have as members of the Legislature," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "I'm proud of the support for regional infrastructure that this legislation provides, and of the funding that it allocates for the purchasing of electric vehicles by transit authorities. I want to thank Chairman Straus and my colleagues in the House for prioritizing this vital legislation, as well as Senate President Spilka and our partners in the Senate for their hard work and collaboration."

"Today the Legislature acted to give our cities and towns the financial tools they need to improve the infrastructure residents use to get to work, school and home every day," said Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). "I'm proud that this funding will go to continuing to build a 21st century infrastructure in our Commonwealth and make investments in transit-forward and emissions-reducing projects. I'm thankful to Chair Rodrigues and Senator Crighton for their work, and to Speaker Mariano and Chair Michlewitz for their partnership."

"This funding will ensure that municipalities are equipped to make crucial improvements to their roads, bridges, and public transit facilities," said Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "It represents a commitment to not only maintaining the state's infrastructure, but also positioning the Commonwealth for the future by providing funding for transit authorities to purchase electric vehicles."

"This funding is an important and significant part of Quincy's road maintenance and repair program, and I am glad to have worked with our Quincy delegation in moving the funding through the legislature in a timely manner," said Sen. John F. Keenan (D-Quincy).

"The funding secured in this Chapter 90 road funding legislation will provide critical support for our roads and bridges, bolster our public commuter rail and bus transportation systems, and pave the way for more electric vehicle infrastructure," said Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "Thousands of Quincy residents use the MBTA every day, and this funding will continue our commitment to improving the efficiency and reliability of public transportation in our neighborhoods."

Of the \$375 million in total authorizations, the legislation would allocate \$25 million to each of the following programs that target specific infrastructure areas:

- **Municipal Pavement Program**, which focuses on the improvement of municipally owned state numbered routes.
 - **Municipal Small Bridge Program**, which provides financial support to cities and towns for small bridge replacement, preservation, and rehabilitation projects.
 - **Complete Streets Funding Program**, which provides funding to municipalities for streets that provide safe and accessible options for all travel modes such as walking, biking, transit, and vehicles.
 - **Municipal Bus Enhancement Program**, which provides grant funding to build out infrastructure related to mass transit by bus.
 - **Mass Transit Access Grant Program**, which provides grants for design and construction improvements to access commuter rail stations or other mass transit stations, such as parking lots, drop-off and pick-up zones, bike storage infrastructure, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.
 - **Municipal/RTA EV Grant Program**, which provides grants to Regional Transit Authorities and municipalities for the purchase of electric vehicles and related charging equipment.
- Having passed both branches of the Legislature, the bill will now be sent to the Governor's desk for her signature.

Quincy-North Quincy Track Results vs. Plymouth South Girls won 81-55, Boys lost 80-56

FirstName	LastName	Gen	Grade	Event	Performance	Place
Aluna	Coogan-Coyne	F	12	1 Mile	5:17.7	1
Marielle	Kouassi	F	11	100m	14.6	
Mikayla	Gooden	F	9	100m	15.2	
Chloe	O'Neill	F	9	100m	15.6	
Chloe	Guia	F	9	100m	15.8	
Aniya	Grooms	F	10	100m	15.9	
Vanessa	Su	F	11	100m	16.0	
Livia	Fantini	F	9	100m	16.1	
Queenie	Au	F	10	100m	16.1	
Isabelle	Leung	F	9	100m	16.2	
Lakshiga	Periyasamy	F	9	100m	16.4	
Milan	Le	F	11	100m	16.5	
Sophia	Zheng	F	10	100m	16.6	
Aaraya	Gray	F	11	100m	16.7	
Annie	Chen	F	9	100m	16.7	
Brenda	Zheng	F	9	100m	16.7	
Chris	Romeo	F	9	100m	16.8	
Esther	Lee	F	10	100m	16.8	
Luniva	Shrestha	F	10	100m	17.1	
Kristy	Lin	F	9	100m	18.7	
Anna	Kuang	F	10	100m	18.9	
Sophia	Edwards	F	10	100m HH	17.2	2
Joyce	Lukelo	F	11	100m HH	17.4	3
Amy	Tan	F	11	100m HH	20.6	
Ada	Cote	F	9	2 miles	13:23.7	1
Caroline	Zuffante	F	9	2 miles	13:42.5	3
Sofija	Slezas	F	12	200m	27.4	1
Mikayla	Gooden	F	10	200m	32.1	
Piper	Henderson	F	12	200m	32.4	
Alexandra	Guia	F	11	200m	32.9	
Chloe	Guia	F	9	200m	34.2	
Isabelle	Leung	F	9	200m	34.4	
Maddy	McGillcuddy	F	10	400m	1:02.5	1
Hannah	Moriarty	F	11	400mH	1:11.7	1
Salma	Boukham	F	12	800m	2:26.3	1
Amelija	Slezas	F	10	800m	2:43.0	3
Laylo	Belfaid	F	11	800m	3:17.9	
Jomana	Kmail	F	11	800m	3:45.2	
Deaney	Wood	F	10	800m	3:46.3	
Bassma	Torky	F	11	DT	74'03"	3
Grace	McGough	F	12	DT	89'07"	2
Brooklyn	Rizzo	F	12	DT	91'03"	1
Sophia	Edwards	F	10	HJ	4'04"	3
Piper	Henderson	F	12	JT	54'00"	
Maddy	McGillcuddy	F	10	JT	64'11"	3
Aaraya	Gray	F	11	JT	65'07"	2
Brooklyn	Rizzo	F	12	JT	90'11"	1
Joyce	Lukelo	F	11	LJ	14'01.5"	
Kathy	Duong	F	12	LJ	14'07.5"	1
Paige	Grippi	F	12	SP	18'06"	
Genesis	Anderson	F	11	SP	22'10.5"	
Mikilah	Aubrey	F	10	SP	22'11"	
Rachel	Zhao	F	10	SP	25'07.5"	3
Grace	McGough	F	12	SP	25'07"	
Bassma	Torky	F	11	SP	31'08"	1
Kathy	Duong	F	12	TJ	29'03"	
Sophia	Edwards	F	10	TJ	34'10"	1
Kyle	Clements	M	12	1 Mile	5:23.7	
Marques	Rodrigues-Smith	M	11	100m	11.4	2
Gabriel	Rodrigues	M	12	100m	11.7	
Brandon	Feng	M	10	100m	12.0	
Gavin	Brown	M	9	100m	12.0	
Nicholas	DuPuis	M	9	100m	12.0	
Jordan	Leathers	M	11	100m	12.1	
Zhenyu	Liang	M	11	100m	12.1	
John	Gnakou	M	10	100m	12.2	
Giovanni	Faulder	M	10	100m	12.3	
Thomas	Chan	M	11	100m	12.3	
William	Lanergan	M	12	100m	12.6	
Jonas	Ala	M	9	100m	12.7	
Ethan	Wong	M	10	100m	12.8	
Ariel	White	M	12	100m	13.0	
Tedden	Pierre	M	10	100m	13.2	
Matt	Cerone	M	9	100m	13.3	
Eddy	Liu	M	12	100m	13.4	
Cyrus	Lin	M	10	100m	13.5	
Richard	Pan	M	11	100m	13.5	
Jacquens	Gedeon	M	11	100m	13.6	
David	Jushaji	M	10	100m	13.7	
Sunny	Wang	M	10	100m	13.7	
Vincent	Lam	M	10	100m	13.7	

William	Li	M	11	100m	13.7	
Luka	Albuquerque	M	10	100m	13.8	
Alex	Zhao	M	10	100m	13.9	
Johnson	Yu	M	10	100m	14.1	
Andy	Li	M	10	100m	14.2	
Daniel	Setow	M	10	100m	14.4	
Markel	Noti	M	10	100m	14.4	
Evan	Lin	M	10	100m	14.6	
Alexander	Schaareman	M	10	100m	14.7	
Allen	Shi	M	11	100m	14.9	
Justin	Nguyen	M	10	100m	15.3	
Adrian	Pena	M	11	110m HH	22.0	
Jonathan	Cole	M	9	110m HH	22.9	
Ryan	Aitsaid	M	12	2 mile	11:07.3	
Mamadou	Diallo	M	11	200m	23.0	1
Nicholas	DuPuis	M	9	200m	24.8	
Zhenyu	Liang	M	11	200m	25.0	
Adrian	Pena	M	11	200m	25.6	
Ethan	Wong	M	10	200m	27.1	
Boubakar	Diallo	M	12	400m	55.0	3
Trevor	Mangino	M	12	400m	57.8	
Jayden	Francois	M	11	400mH	56.6	1
Jayden	Anderson	M	9	800m	2:16.0	3
David	Schmidt	M	11	800m	2:20.9	
Patrick	Lee	M	12	800m	2:21.9	
Liam	Murphy	M	11	800m	2:22.9	
Carter	Bishop	M	9	800m	2:25.7	
Jayden	Zhong	M	9	800m	2:26.1	
Warick	Quon	M	9	800m	2:28.1	
Alden	Belfort	M	9	800m	2:28.3	
Tyler	Sharkey	M	9	800m	2:30.6	
Jakub	Wilson	M	9	800m	2:32.0	
Wilson	Chen	M	9	800m	2:32.3	
Saksham	Nagmoti	M	9	800m	2:40.2	
Andrew	Perkins	M	9	800m	2:51.8	
Arpon	Chowdhury	M	9	800m	2:56.7	
Gabriel	Rodrigues	M	12	DT	142'02"	1
Shawn	Pierre	M	9	DT	54'10"	
William	Lanergan	M	12	DT	58'03"	
CJ	Young	M	11	DT	61'05"	
Jack	Coughlin	M	9	DT	68'03"	
Wellington	Castillo	M	9	DT	76'04"	
Tedden	Pierre	M	10	DT	81'03"	
Lukin	Nims	M	9	HJ	5'00"	
Mamadou	Diallo	M	11	HJ	5'04"	1
Nate	Allen	M	10	HJ	5'04"	2
Eddy	Liu	M	12	JT	111'00"	
Jonas	Ala	M	9	JT	113'10"	
Kevin	Heim	M	12	JT	135'09"	1
Nick	Cheung	M	11	JT	47'05"	
Ben	Le	M	10	JT	69'00"	
Stanley	Liu	M	11	JT	84'09"	
Sunny	Wang	M	10	LJ	17'04"	
Mamadou	Diallo	M	11	LJ	17'08"	
Adrian	Pena	M	11	LJ	19'01"	
Jayden	Francois	M	11	LJ	21'03"	1
Shawn	Pierre	M	9	SP	27'10"	
CJ	Young	M	11	SP	28'02.5"	
Jack	Coughlin	M	9	SP	28'05"	
Wellington	Castillo	M	9	SP	29'02"	
William	Lanergan	M	12	SP	33'00"	
Tedden	Pierre	M	10	SP	35'02.5"	
Gabriel	Rodrigues	M	12	SP	40'02.5"	1
Jayden	Francois	M	11	TJ	42'02"	2

Caitlin Ho Receives WPI Award

Caitlin Ho of Quincy was recently awarded the Salisbury Prize at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Ho, a member of the Class of 2024, is majoring in mathematical sciences.

A total of 21 undergraduate students - out of a class of more than 1,200 - were nominated by their departments to receive this award. The Salisbury Prize was in-

stituted in 1871 by Stephen Salisbury, a 19th century businessman and philanthropist who was one of the founders of WPI.

The award recognizes outstanding members of the senior class "who have faithfully, industriously, and with distinguished attainment" completed all course and project requirements for the bachelor's degree.

OBITUARIES

Paul J. Kodad, Jr., 84

Paul J. Kodad, Jr., 84, passed away on April 23, 2024 at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth.

Born in Boston and raised in Dorchester, Paul was the second of five children born to the late B. Natalie (Conroy) and Paul J. Kodad, Sr.

Paul proudly served his country in the US Air Force and later worked as a letter carrier for the US Postal Service for 20 years before retiring. He greatly enjoyed candlepin bowling over a fifty year span, and was one of the top bowlers wherever he competed. Paul was also an avid Red Sox fan to which he held season tickets.

In his later years, he greatly enjoyed singing with the Holy Trinity Choir. He was a devout Catholic attending weekly Mass and was a regular at the Wednesday evening Rosary and Adoration services at Our Lady of Good Counsel church of Holy Trinity Parish, where he was also a member of the Holy Name Society.

Paul leaves his sister Natalie Kodad, with whom he shared a home, and was the brother of the late; William F. Kodad, James G. Kodad and John P. Kodad. He is survived by four nephews; James M. Kodad, Paul



PAUL J. KODAD, JR.

W. Kodad, John R. Kodad and Michael C. Kodad.

A Celebration of Life and Prayer Service was held Monday, April 29, 2024 at Hamel-Lydon Chapel, 650 Hancock St., Quincy, with Father Martin Dzengeleski, Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, officiating. Interment with military honors followed at Pine Hill Cemetery, 815 Willard St., Quincy. In lieu of flowers, donations in Paul's memory may be made to: Holy Trinity Parish, 237 Sea St., Quincy, MA 02169.

Paul will be greatly missed. Please include Paul and his sister, Natalie, in your prayers.

Funeral arrangements are under the compassionate care of Hamel-Lydon Chapel. For information and online condolences, please visit HamelLydon.com.

Stephen E. Fix, 71

Stephen E. Fix, age 71, of Williamstown, formerly of Dorchester and Quincy, died peacefully, Tuesday April 23, 2024.

Born in Boston, he was a graduate of Boston College High School, Boston College, and later earned his PhD in English from Cornell University in 1979. He was a Professor of English at Williams College for over forty years.

Loving brother of Mary Ann Skjold of Hingham. Dear uncle of Suzanne Skjold and her husband Robert Nichols, and Christine Skjold.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated at Divine Mercy Parish in Sacred Heart

Church, 386 Hancock St., North Quincy, on Saturday, April 27. Interment at Saint Mary's Cemetery, West Quincy. A public memorial service will also be held at Williams College in June. For those who wish, donations in Stephen's memory may be made to Boston College High School Scholarship Fund, 150 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125 or by visiting www.bchigh.edu/give.

Arrangements under the direction of the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave, Quincy. You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Peter P. Mosillo, 100

Peter P. Mosillo, a lifelong resident of Quincy and retired Quincy Police Officer, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at the age of 100, surrounded by his loving family.

Peter's journey began with humble roots, born to immigrant parents in Quincy, the late Gerardo and Concetta Mosillo and was raised and educated in his hometown. He served with distinction as a Quincy Police Officer for twenty-one years, from June 30, 1960, until his retirement on April 1, 1981. Prior to joining the police department, Peter dedicated himself to public service, working for both the City of Quincy Highway Department and Quincy Public Schools, amassing forty-four years of service to the city.

A proud U.S. Army veteran of World War II, Peter served his country honorably and bravely participated in multiple campaigns, including Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes, and Central Europe. For his service, he was awarded several commendations, including the European African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon, the Belgian Fourragere Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal. He was also a dedicated member of the Cyril P. Morrisette American Legion Post #294 in Quincy.

Beyond his professional and military achievements, Peter was known for his passion for motorcycles and his lifelong membership in the Braintree Rifle and Pistol Club. However, his greatest joy came from spending time with his cherished family, especially his daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Peter was preceded in death by his beloved wife of fifty-six years, Lorraine P. (Righini) Mosillo. He is survived by his devoted daughters Pamela A. Feger and her husband Frank of Plymouth, and Laurie M. Shappee of Quincy; loving grandchildren Jill McEvoy and her husband Michael, Kristen Jara and her husband Walter, Janine Shappee, Matthew Feger and his wife Dagny, Christopher Feger and his



PETER P. MOSILLO

wife Lindsay, and Mary Appelgren and her husband Mark; and much-loved great-grandchildren Gavin, Ryan, Michael, Theodore, Victoria, Alexandra, Lucas, Amelia, Camellia, Damien, Luke, Jack, and Tavin. He is also survived by his dear brother Jerry Mosillo, sister Anna Akoury, brother-in-law Rudolph Tomasini, and many nieces, nephews, and extended family members. He was predeceased by his sisters, Lee Tomasini and Mary Maki.

Peter always said that home was where the heart is and he was able to remain in his cherished home for an extended period thanks to the devoted care provided by his daughter Laurie. With unwavering dedication, Laurie tirelessly ensured that her father enjoyed an exceptional quality of life within the comfort of his own home.

Visiting hours will be held at Saint Mary's Church, 95 Crescent St., West Quincy, on Thursday, May 2, from 4 - 7 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Divine Mercy Parish in Saint Mary's Church on Friday, May 3, at 10:30 a.m. Interment, with military honors, will follow at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Peter's memory may be made to the Salvation Army, 6 Baxter St., Quincy, MA 02169.

Arrangements under the direction of the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave, Quincy. You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Frederick W. Canniff, 87

Frederick W. "Fred" Canniff, age 87, a longtime resident of Randolph, formerly of Quincy, passed away peacefully, Friday, April 26, 2024 in the comfort of his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Fred was born in Quincy, to the late J. Clarence and Evelyn D. (Warmington) Canniff. Raised in Quincy, he was a graduate of Archbishop Williams High School, Class of 1956.

As a young man, Fred worked in the monument industry for many years with his family's business, the W.C. Canniff Monument Company. He went on to work as a painter for General Dynamics at the former Fore River Shipyard in Quincy and later for many years, as a government contract painter, with the former Ainslie Corporation in Braintree. He later was employed for eight years with the McCourt Company in Boston, retiring in 2010.

As a man of faith, Fred actively supported his wife, Nannette's passion for helping those in need through the

Saint Boniface Haiti Foundation in Quincy, which she established in 1983. During their twenty-eight years of service to the Haitian community, Fred and Nannette made countless trips to Haiti.

Fred was also devoted to his family, especially his many children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Beloved husband for sixty-six years of Nannette M. (McGrail) Canniff.

Devoted father of Karen Canniff of Ocala, Fla., Jeffrey Canniff and his wife Shirley of Randolph, Frederick Canniff, Jr. and his wife Linda of Norwood, Dawn Marie Forrest and her husband Hugh of Salem, Gary Canniff of Randolph, Christopher Canniff and his wife Lisa of Arlington, Peter Canniff and his wife Nicole of Tyngsboro, Sean Canniff of Randolph, Suzanne Canniff Wilkinson of Dannelon, Fla., and Andrew Canniff and his wife Margaret of Randolph.

Loving grandfather of



FREDERICK W. CANNIFF

Matthew Canniff, Kayla Wilkinson, Megan Wilkinson, Cheri Wilkinson Fill, Amber Wilkinson, Kaylee Canniff, Hope Canniff, Jacqueline Canniff Lubinski, Christopher Canniff, Nicholas Canniff, Derek Forrest, Craig Forrest, Heather Forrest, Christina Canniff, Jennifer Canniff, Jonathan Canniff, Jean Pierre Placide, Jacqueline Placide, Naomi Mower, Joshua Mower, along with twenty-one great grandchildren.

Dear brother of E. Reid Canniff and his wife Madelyn of Quincy and predeceased by Doreen A. Croke and James C. Canniff, Jr.

Dear brother-in-law of Carol and Richard Fletcher of Braintree, and Paul Croke of Hingham.

He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and their families.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Saint John the Baptist Church, 44 School St., Quincy, on Thursday, May 2, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours will be held at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave, East Milton, on Wednesday, May 1, from 4 - 7 p.m. Interment Mount Wollaston Cemetery, Quincy.

For those who wish, donations in Fred's memory may be made to Health Equity International, 40 Glen Ave, Newton, MA 02459 (formerly the Saint Boniface Haiti Foundation) or to Saint Rock Haiti Foundation, 372 Granite Ave, #1, Milton, MA 02186.

To leave the Canniff's a condolence message, please visit www.dolanfuneral.com.

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Francesco Boncaldo, 91

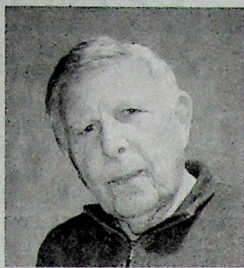
Francesco "Frank" Boncaldo, age 91, a longtime resident of Braintree, died peacefully, Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital - Milton, in the comfort of his loving family.

Francesco was born in Rodi Milici, Messina, Sicily, to the late Bartolo and Rosa (Cappellano) Boncaldo. He immigrated to the United States in January of 1959, arriving in Quincy, where he lived for twelve years before moving to Braintree fifty-three years ago.

Frank was a well-known barber and co-owner of Designer Hair Company by South Shore Barber in Quincy for over fifty years. He was also active throughout the South Shore as a real estate proprietor and manager for the same period.

He was an avid gardener and together with his wife and family enjoyed traveling, with trips to Italy, Florida, Aruba, and Europe.

Frank relished his Italian heritage and spending time with his family and friends. Devoted to his family, he especially loved his cherished grandchildren and support-



FRANCESCO BONCALDO

ing all their many activities and accomplishments.

Beloved husband for sixty-six years of Carmela "Nina" (Parlavecchio) Boncaldo.

Devoted father of Bartolo "Bart" Boncaldo and his wife Catherine of Braintree, Joseph Boncaldo and his wife Diana of Braintree, and Frank C. Boncaldo and his wife Stacy of Holbrook.

Loving Nonno of Michael, Nicholas, Catrina, Massimo, Dante, Bianca, Francesco, Sofia, Olivia, and Dario.

One of four siblings, Frank was the dear brother of Filippo Boncaldo, his wife Rosaria and his late wife Josephine of Braintree, Joseph Salvatore Boncaldo of Braintree and his late wife Tindara, the late Giovanni

Boncaldo and his surviving wife Maria of Rodi Milici, Messina, Sicily.

Dear brother-in-law of the late Antonino "Tony" Parlavecchio and his surviving wife Maria of Braintree.

Frank is also survived by many nieces, nephews, extended family members, and their families.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in the Church of Saint Clare, 1244 Liberty St., Braintree, on Wednesday, May 1, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours were held at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave., East Milton, on Tuesday, April 30. Interment Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Frank's memory may be made to the Italian Home for Children, 1125 Centre St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 or to the American Heart Association, 93 Worcester St., Wellesley, MA 02481.

To leave the Boncaldo's a condolence message, please visit www.dolanfuneral.com.

David G. Montani Sr., 95

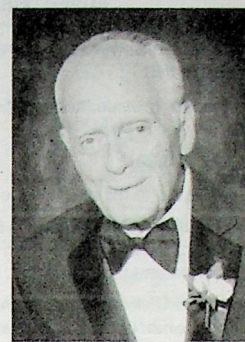
David G. Montani Sr., age 95, of Dennis, formerly of Milton and West Quincy, died peacefully, Sunday, April 21, 2024 in the comfort of his home, surrounded by members of his loving family.

David was born on April 19, 1929, in West Quincy, to the late Frank and Aurora "Irene" (Carella) Montani. Raised and educated in Quincy, he was a graduate of Quincy High School, Class of 1948, where he was an outstanding quarterback and member of the Q.H.S. Football Hall of Fame. He lived in Dennis for thirty years and previously in Milton for thirty-three years.

He began his career as an apprentice at the Fore River Shipyard, working for the Bethlehem Steel Company, where he first demonstrated a great ability to work with his hands and a mind that could envision what needed to be done. He left the shipyard to serve in the U.S. Navy Seabees, Mobile Construction Battalion One, as a Steel Worker 3/c, during the Korean conflict. After his military service, Dave returned to the shipyard to complete his apprenticeship, graduating Valedictorian in 1953.

In 1952, he married Christine Mae Antonelli, daughter of Larry and Josephine Antonelli. Together, Dave and Christine raised ten children, seven boys and three girls. Their years together were filled with the joy of watching their family grow, a marriage of full measure and grace.

Early in his career, Dave joined his father-in-law's steel business, L. Antonelli Iron Works, leading the fabrication side of the company. From a small operation, the company would grow to become one of the largest steel fabricators and steel erectors in New England. Memorable projects would include the Altar for the 1979 Pope John



DAVID G. MONTANI SR.

Paul II visit to Boston, Fenway Park expansions, and the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Pre-deceased by Christine in 1988, Dave found love again and married Mary E. (St. John) McDonald in 1994, adding six step-children and numerous step-grandchildren to his family. Dave and Mary settled in Dennis, wintering in Florida and South Carolina until her death in 2012. They enjoyed visiting their extended family throughout the countryside, attending countless events and accomplishments of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Dave loved the ocean, the beach, and hosting gatherings at the family's Cape Cod residence. Never idle, he took on many projects around his home, putting in his workshop to build personal treasures that ranged from jewelry boxes to bookshelves, end tables to coat racks, cribbage boards and beyond. Anything he could dream up from a piece of scrap wood was fair game, as his creations found many a home with family and friends.

Active in community affairs throughout his life, Dave was a member of the Quincy Rotary Club, the American Legion, the Knights of Columbus, and a proud member of the Quincy Lodge of Elks for sixty-seven years. He also served on the board of directors for Catholic Charities of Boston and Fontbonne Academy in Milton.

A devout Catholic, he was a long-time parishioner of Saint Agatha's Church in Milton and Saint Pius X Parish in Yarmouth. Dave lived a life of faith, family, and work, with extended bonds of love overflowing in all three priorities.

He is survived by his family. Devoted father of David, Jr., Frank, Loretta (Timothy) Porter, Larry (Mary), Daniel (Patricia), Christopher, Theresa, Anthony (Diane), and predeceased by son Michael Montani and daughter Mary Jo Montani.

Step-father of W. Kevin (Joan) McDonald, Susan (Paul) McDonald Osborn, Sean (Jaci) McDonald, William (Mary) McDonald, and pre-deceased by stepdaughter Kathleen McDonald, Dianne McDonald Johnston and her husband Mark.

In addition to his fifteen grandchildren, fifteen great grandchildren, twenty-two step grandchildren, and thirteen step great grandchildren, Dave is also survived by many nieces, nephews, in-laws, and extended family members.

The middle child of three siblings, Dave was predeceased by his older brother Albert Montani and his wife Joan, and his younger sister Irene Ciardelli Coombs and her husbands, Chick Ciardelli and George Coombs.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in Saint Agatha Church, 432 Adams St., Milton, on Monday, April 29. Visiting Hours were held at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave., East Milton, on Sunday, April 28. Interment, with military honors, at Milton Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be made to The Boston Home, Inc., 2049 Dorchester Ave., Boston, MA 02124.

To leave the Montani's a condolence message, please visit <http://www.dolanfuneral.com>.

Ralph 'Paul' Ormon, Jr., 84

Ralph "Paul" Ormon, Jr., age 84, of Quincy, MA, died peacefully on April 22, 2024.

Paul to some and Ralph to others, he was a graduate of Quincy High School, Class of 1957. He worked over 40 years in the elevator industry, as an elevator technician and then an adjuster for many years. He was a proud member of IUEC Local 4. He thoroughly enjoyed teaching his trade to all he worked with.

When not working on minor home improvement projects, Paul could be found reading and enjoying the view from his cottage in Eastham. A lifelong skier and traveler, he skied the slopes throughout the US and Europe [New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, France and Canada]. Paul



RALPH 'PAUL' ORMON, JR.

also had a green thumb and loved eating fresh from the vine tomatoes, peppers, lettuce and supplying rhubarb for homemade strawberry-rhubarb pie. He had many lifelong friendships and was always ready with a kind word or funny phrase.

Paul is survived by his wife of 58 years Holly (Hennequin), and his chil-

dren Douglas and wife Sally, Matthew, and Nicole and husband Neil Mooney, and his grandchildren Erika, Paul, Ryan and Niamh.

Paul is predeceased by his daughter Amy, his parents Ralph and Phyllis (Countway) Ormon, his brother Roger and wife Debbie, and his brother Jack.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024 at Pine Hill Cemetery in Quincy. Please see www.keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Paul's memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.



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The **QUINCY HOUSING AUTHORITY**, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the ARPA FF: Elevator Upgrades at State Aided Development: Sawyer Towers (667-3) in Quincy, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by **BLW ENGINEERS, INC.**

The Project consists of but not limited to: Provide labor, materials and equipment necessary to modernize two duplex overhead traction elevators located at Sawyer Towers.

The work is estimated to cost **\$1,532,273.00**.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §§26 to 27H inclusive.

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. All Bids shall be submitted online at **biddocs.com** and received no later than the date and time specified.

General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work, **General Building Construction**, and must submit a current DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and signed DCAMM Prime/General Contractor Update Statement.

General Bids will be received until **06 June 2024 on 12:00PM EDT** and publicly opened online, forthwith.

Filed Sub-bids for the trades listed below will be received until **23 May 2024 on 12:00PM EDT** and publicly opened online, forthwith.

Filed sub-bidders must be DCAMM certified for the trades listed below and bidders must include a current DCAMM Sub-Bidder Certificate of Eligibility and a signed DCAMM Sub-Bidder's Update Statement.

TRADES

Elevators

Heating / Ventilating / Air-Conditioning (HVAC)

Electrical Work

General bids and sub-bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit that is not less than five (5%) of the greatest possible bid amount (including all alternates) and made payable to the **QUINCY HOUSING AUTHORITY**. Note: A bid deposit is not required for Projects advertised under \$50,000.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available for review at **biddocs.com** (may be viewed and downloaded electronically at no cost).

General bidders must agree to contract with minority and women business enterprises as certified by the Supplier Diversity Office (SDO), formerly known as SOMWBA. The combined participation benchmark reserved for such enterprises shall not be less than 13% of the final contract price including accepted alternates. **Request for waivers must be sent to EOHLC (david.mcclave@mass.gov) 5 calendar days prior to the General Bid date. NO WAIVERS WILL BE GRANTED AFTER THE GENERAL BIDS ARE OPENED.**

PRE-BID CONFERENCE / SITE VISIT: Scheduled

Date and Time: 05/15/2024 at 11:00AM EDT

Address: 95 Martensen Street, Quincy, MA 02170

Instructions: Attendees shall meet at the front entrance

The hard copy Contract Documents may be seen at:

Nashoba Blue Inc.

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Hudson, MA 01749

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The **QUINCY HOUSING AUTHORITY**, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the Window Replacement-Community Room at State Aided Development: Tobin Towers (667-4) in Quincy, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by **ARCHITECTURAL SOLUTIONS INC.**

The Project consists of but not limited to:

Aluminum Window Replacement in the Community Room located on the 12th Floor at Tobin Towers, Quincy, MA, all in accordance with the Contract Documents. Asbestos abatement is also included.

The work is estimated to cost **\$270,000.00**.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §§26 to 27H inclusive.

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. All Bids shall be submitted online at **biddocs.com** and received no later than the date and time specified.

General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work, **Doors and Windows**, and must submit a current DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and signed DCAMM Prime/General Contractor Update Statement.

General Bids will be received until **29 May 2024 on 10:00AM EDT** and publicly opened online, forthwith.

FILED SUB-BID TRADES – NONE

General bids and sub-bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit that is not less than five (5%) of the greatest possible bid amount (including all alternates) and made payable to the **QUINCY HOUSING AUTHORITY**. Note: A bid deposit is not required for Projects advertised under \$50,000.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available for review at **biddocs.com** (may be viewed and downloaded electronically at no cost).

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PRE-BID CONFERENCE / SITE VISIT: Scheduled

Date and Time: 05/15/2024 at 10:15AM EDT

Address: 80 Clay Street, Quincy, MA 02170

Instructions: For any questions, regarding Site Visit only, email Rick Brouillard at rbrouillard@quincyha.com

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OBITUARY

Paul O'Neil

Paul O'Neil of Quincy passed away suddenly on April 19, 2024.

Son of the late Bernard and Mary McCourt. Loving brother of Jeanne and her husband Bob Galvin of Plymouth, Janice and Barry Berman of Harwich, Margaret and Christopher Brown of Quincy, Patricia Steen of Wey., Bernard and Mary McCourt of Hingham, Kathleen and Richard Bagen of Halifax, Maureen and John Lyons of FL and the late Robert O'Neil and Maryann McCourt. Paul is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Paul was a lifetime Quincy resident. He was a US Coast Guard Veteran and was a retired Postal Worker.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Mass of Christian Burial



PAUL O'NEIL

Wednesday May 1, 2024, at 10 a.m. in St. Ann's Church, Quincy. Visiting hours were held Tuesday in the Hamel Lydon Chapel, 650 Hancock St., Quincy. The burial will be private.

Donations may be made in Paul's name to either AA or the MA Alzheimer's Assoc. For more information and online condolences please visit www.hamellydon.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-17

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Tim Johnson for a VARIANCE to expand an approx. 2,880 sq ft free standing brick commercial building by adding an addition of 1,788 sq ft in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 4.1.1 (dimensional requirements) on the premises numbered 678 ADAMS STREET.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

5/2/24, 5/9/24

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-23

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Jim Chen for a Finding to construct a second floor in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 3.4.5 (Conforming single family structure) on the premises numbered 57 WAYLAND ST, QUINCY, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-31

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of 50 Cushing, LLC for a Variance and Special Permit to construct 2 - 3 story townhouses with parking underneath aside the existing structure in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 4.1 (dimensional requirements), 4.2.2 (two buildings on one lot), 5.14 (parking setbacks) and 9.4 (special permit, residential) on the premises numbered 50 CUSHING STREET, QUINCY, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

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OBITUARIES

Margaret T. 'Peggy' Murray

Margaret T. "Peggy" Murray, of Braintree, formerly of Quincy and Dorchester, a cherished beacon of love and kindness, passed away peacefully on April 26, 2024, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

She was born in Boston on October 14, 1945, to the late James and Margaret (Walsh) Davey. Peggy's warmth and generosity knew no bounds, and her presence was a source of comfort and joy to all who knew her.

Peggy was the beloved wife of Francis "Frank" Murray, with whom she shared a lifetime of love and cherished memories. Her unwavering support and devotion to her family were evident in every aspect of her life. She was the loving mother of Annemarie Ward and her husband John of East Bridgewater, Daniel Murray and his wife Peggy-Ann of Quincy, and Michael Murray and his wife Charlene of Abington. Peggy's role as a mother extended far beyond her immediate family, touching the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Her love was further multiplied in her role as a devoted Nana to her grandchildren, Brendan, Caitlin, Nick, Michael, Donovan, Jenni, and Jessica. Her joy was most visible when surrounded by her grandchildren, whose lives she enriched with her boundless love and thoughtful guidance. Peggy's nurturing spirit was also a source of strength to her sister, Maryann Finneran of Weymouth, and she will be deeply missed by her many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends who were all part of the extended family she held so dear.

A proud graduate of Cardinal Cushing High School in South Boston, Peggy's intelligence and work ethic shone through in her professional life. She dedicated over 15 years to her career as a claims adjuster for Travelers Insurance, where her kindness and work ethic earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues.

Peggy's zest for life was contagious, and her interests were as varied as they were fulfilling. She had a passion for travel, relishing the opportunity to explore new places and create lasting memories. The beach was a sanctuary for her, a place where she found peace and solace in the rhythm of the waves. Peggy also enjoyed the thrill of the game, visiting the casino to try her luck and share laughs with friends and family.

An avid Boston sports fan, Peggy's enthusiasm for her favorite teams was infectious. Her voice could often be heard rooting for the home team, a testament to her unwavering support and spirited nature. Peggy's love for sports was a reflection of her commitment to her community, a bond that was nurtured through shared triumphs and challenges.

Peggy's legacy is one of love, kindness, and thoughtfulness. Her ability to make each person feel valued and loved was her gift to the world, and it is this essence that will be carried forward by those who were fortunate enough to have been touched by her grace. Her spirit will live on in the laughter of her grandchildren, in the stories shared among friends, and in the hearts of all who were graced by her presence.

As we bid farewell to Peggy, we do so with heavy hearts but also with profound gratitude for the time we shared with her. Her life was a tapestry of love, woven with the threads of kindness and care that she extended to everyone she met.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours on Thursday, May 2nd, from 4 to 8 p.m. in the Cartwright-Venuti Funeral Home, 845 Washington St., Braintree. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, May 3rd, at 10 a.m. in St. Francis of Assisi Church, Braintree. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery, Randolph.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-24-32

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Brian LaRoche for a VARIANCE AND SPECIAL PERMIT/FLOOD PLAIN to demolish the existing single family house and erect a 3 story 2 family home in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 4.1 (dimensional regulations) on the premises numbered 16 LEE STREET, QUINCY, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search>

Martin Aikens, Chairman

5/2/24, 5/9/24

Ann M. Gerstel (Price), a longtime resident of Quincy, formerly of South Boston, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 27, 2024. She was 80.

She was born in Boston to Ann (Goonan) and Martin Price and raised in South Boston. She graduated from Cardinal Cushing High School and went on to work as an administrative assistant with the New England Telephone Company for 35 years before retiring.

Ann enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She could often be found walking her dog, Teddy, throughout her neighborhood and at Wollaston Beach. Ann's dazzling smile and kind disposition were loved by many and will be missed by all who knew her.

Beloved wife of 32 years to the late Richard Gerstel. Loving sister to the late Mary Kearney (John), Edward Price and his wife Valerie of Barnstable, the late Thomas Price, Martin Price and his wife Carol of S. Boston, and Stephen Price and his wife Susan of Quincy. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation on Thursday, May 2nd,

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Ann M. Gerstel, 80



ANN M. GERSTEL

from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 386 Hancock St., Quincy. The



In Loving Memory of DENIS P. CRONIN on his Birthday

May 5, 1928 - October 14, 2004

You can only have one father,
Patient, kind and true;
No other friend in all the world,
Will be the same to you.
When other friends forsake you,
To father you will return,
For all his loving kindness,
He asks nothing in return.
As we look upon his picture,
Sweet memories we recall
Of a face so full of sunshine,
And a smile for one and all.
Sweet Jesus take this message,
To our dear father up above,
Tell him how we miss him,
And give him all our love.

"Ar dheis De go raibh a anam"
May his soul be on
God's right hand side.

Lovingly remembered and Sadly
Missed by: Margaret, Jerry, Jack, Dan,
Denise, Eileen, Peggy, Denis, Mike,
his 17 grandchildren and many friends.

96th Birthday
Memorial Mass
Sunday, May 5, 10:30am

Our Lady of Good
Counsel Church
227 Sea St., Quincy

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT ANDREA N. CAMPBELL

[Case Caption: Guilford County Courthouse in Greensboro, North Carolina, Gurney L. White d/b/a Majestic Car Care, v. Andrea N. Campbell]

Case Number: 23-CVD-6276

To ANDREA N. CAMPBELL, whose whereabouts are unknown or cannot be ascertained through reasonable diligence:

You are hereby notified that a legal action has been filed against you in the Guilford County Courthouse of Greensboro, North Carolina. The nature of the action is a Complaint for Monies Owed Under a Mechanic's Lien. You are required to appear in or respond to this action within (30) thirty days after the final publication of this notice.

This notice is being published once a week for three consecutive weeks in The Quincy Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in Quincy, Massachusetts. The dates of publication are April 18, 2024, April 25, 2024, and May 2, 2024.

If you fail to appear or respond to this action within the specified time, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

For further information or to respond to this action, you may contact the court or the plaintiff's attorney, Attorney Jason Keith of NxtGenlaw Firm at 336-574-0368 or 100 S. Elm St., Suite 110 in Greensboro, North Carolina 27401.

This notice is published pursuant to Rule 4 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

DATED: April 5, 2024.

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Funeral Mass will immediately follow at 10:30 a.m. in the church. Burial at Pine Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Ann may be made to Catholic Char-

ties, 275 West Broadway, Boston, MA 02127. Please see www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO

G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
Docket No. NO24P1061GD

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Probate and Family Court

35 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021

In the matter of: Altajerjes Roman Of: Quincy, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Boston Medical Center of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Altajerjes Roman is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Jonathan Medina of Quincy, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 05/22/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 19, 2024
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
Register of Probate

5/2/24

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF CONSERVATOR'S ACCOUNT

Docket No. NO21P1124PM

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Probate and Family Court

35 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021

In the matter of: Carrie Emma Jones Of: North Quincy, MA

Protected Person/Disabled Person/Respondent

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, you are hereby notified pursuant to Rule 72 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court, that the 3rd and Final account(s) of Stanley Eugene Jenkins of Quincy, MA as Conservator of the property of said Respondent has or have been presented to the Court for allowance.

You have the right to object to the account(s). If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 05/22/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s).

Additionally, within thirty days after said return day (or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Conservator pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court.

You have the right to send to the Conservator, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the Petition and account(s) at no cost to you.

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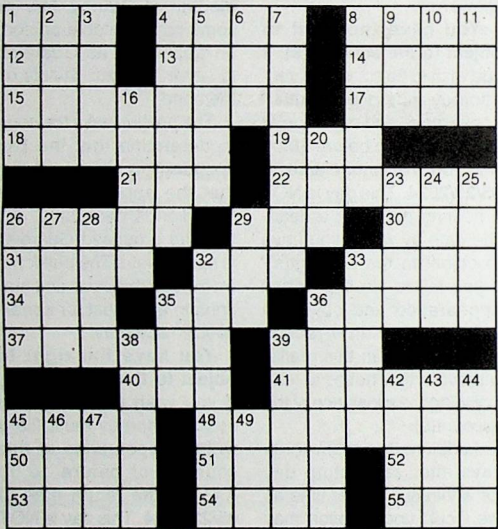
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SUN FUN PAGES

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Scene stealer
4 Pilgrimage to Mecca
8 Auction
12 Carte lead-in
13 Pakistani language
14 Currier's partner
15 Florida city
17 Clothing store section
18 Intimidates, with "out"
19 Apprehend
21 Shade
22 Pictures
26 Throat affliction
29 Sault — Marie
30 Fib
31 Cobra feature
32 IRS employee
33 Exceptional
34 Mornings, briefly
35 "Oy —!"
36 Duck down
37 "Pop Goes the —"
- 39 Evening hrs.
40 Chopping tool
41 Portugal's place
45 Apple computers
48 Hit song by Shawn Mendes and Camila Cabello
50 "Oops!"
51 Walked (on)
52 Standard
53 Infatuated
54 Bohemian
55 Swiss peak
- DOWN**
- 1 Door fastener
2 Regrettably
3 Creche figure
4 "Quiet!"
5 Stood
6 Banned pesticide
7 "Walk on the Wild Side" actress Moore
8 "The Lion King" lion
9 "Hail!"
10 Actor Cariou
11 Curved letter
16 Yearned
20 Soul, to Camus
23 Pleased
24 Green land
25 Crystal gazer
26 "Candida" playwright
27 Hefty book
28 Activist Parks
29 Covert agent
32 Piano's cousin
33 Stair part
35 Puzzle
36 Represent
38 Malia's sister
39 Wine grape
42 TV host Kelly
43 Slanted type (Abbr.)
44 Org. for seniors
45 Coffee holder
46 "Caught ya!"
47 Gear tooth
49 Goof up



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MAGIC MAZE • SHORT —

P B S Y V S P M J H E B A Y V
T Q O S L I G D B S Y N W T R
P M K (TEMPERED) I F D B
Y W U S T N C E Q S O M N K I
F D B Z X I D W W U S O G Q O
E N L J T R U E H A I G N F D
C G A O O Y E C T S V A I W V
T S N Q P T F I R H S E L N L
K I H A H S A E L I G M L F E
C B Z Y R W V V U S C I E R Q
D E V E E L S E I R O T S I L

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: A SHORT — SHIRT

And sweet	Notice	Shift	Time ago
Circuit	Orders	Sightedness	Version
Leash	Range	Stories	Wave
List	Selling	Tempered	

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Can is larger. 2. Brush has no paint on it. 3. Rail is lower. 4. Window is smaller. 5. Sleeve is different. 6. Ear is larger.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY:** Which of the Great Lakes is smallest in surface area?
- TELEVISION:** Which sitcom has the theme song, "Where Everybody Knows Your Name"?
- ANATOMY:** Which part of the human body is involved with ACL surgery?
- GAMES:** What is the victim's name in the U.S. version of the board game "Clue"?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is the world's largest species of frog?
- SCIENCE:** What do isobars indicate?
- LITERATURE:** In the nov-

el "Don Quixote," who is the human companion to the title character?

- MOVIES:** In which movie did actor Bill Murray live the same day over and over?
- THEATER:** Who is believed to be the first actor in a Greek drama?
- MUSIC:** What is the name of Beyonce's 2024 country album?

Answers

- Lake Ontario.
- "Cheers."
- The knee.
- Mr. Boddy.
- Goliath frog.
- Atmospheric pressure.
- Sancho Panza.
- "Groundhog Day."
- Thespis, 6th-century poet
- "Cowboy Carter."

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I E C S T N O G N H S G Y

HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might need to do a bit more investigating before making a career move. You do best when you come armed with the facts. Meanwhile, a personal matter still needs tending to.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your creativity plus your good business sense once more combine to give you an important advantage in a difficult workplace situation. Also, an ally proves their loyalty.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Avoid rushing into something just because it offers a break from your usual routine. Take things a step at a time to be sure that you're moving in the right direction.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Bouncing back from a disappointing incident isn't easy, but you should find a welcome turn of events emerging by midweek. Spend the weekend with someone special.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An incomplete project needs your attention before someone else takes it over and uses it to their advantage. There'll be lots of time for fun and games once you get it done.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Doubts involving a potential career change need to be resolved quickly so that they don't get in the way when you feel like you're finally ready to make the big move.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Looking to blame someone for a workplace problem could backfire if it

turns out that you've got the wrong "culprit." Best to get more facts before acting on your assumptions.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Patience might still be called for until you're sure that you finally have the full story, which could have eluded you up until now. Also, a trusted associate could offer valuable guidance.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Reflect on your recent behavior to see if you could have caused the coolness that you might now be sensing from a loved one. If so, apologize and set things straight.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Easing up on your social activities allows you to focus more of your energies on a long-neglected personal matter. You can get back into party mode by the weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A dispute with a colleague can be resolved peacefully once you both agree to be more flexible about the positions you've taken and allow the space for more open-minded discussions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Volunteering to take on added responsibilities could be a risky way to impress the powers that be. Only do it if you're sure that you won't be swept away by the extra workload.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your sense of self-awareness allows you to make bold moves with confidence and security.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

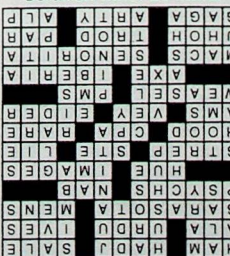
Clue: Y equals B

UCPX QCBWOP YVLX QIPKG
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ECILG KEIK IPC GEIQCL WOMC
BEDTMG VS YIMCL YPCIL:
CIP WVIUCG.

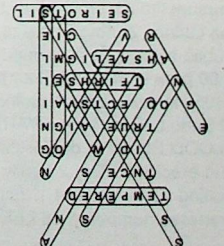
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King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 26 mins.



Magic Maze ANSWERS:



CryptoQuip answer
Very peculiar body parts at the sides of folks' heads that are shaped like chunks of baked bread.
ear loaves.

Super Crossword

STEEP STAIRWAY

ACROSS

- 1 Offer hush money to
6 Strip of gear, as a ship
11 Weight unit for a druggist
15 "I am at your — and call"
19 "Elementary" actor Quinn
20 Sonata, often
22 Many a cruise stopover
23 Unconcealed
24 Customized for
25 Lee of Marvel Comics
26 Like a swine
28 Also-rans
29 Like a diluted drink
31 Parceled out
33 "Haven't — before?"
34 Shout of discovery
35 Having two hues
37 "It could go either way"
39 Rival of Delta or United
41 Urgent
42 Fire residue
46 Taxpayer's ID
48 Dedicates
50 Fender guitar, for short

- 52 Ltd. cousin
53 Pot toppers
55 Edits for publication
57 Conflict
59 Sad paper notices
61 Say a different way
63 Michael who co-hosted "Live" with Kelly Ripa
64 Gets broader
66 "No outlet" street
68 Always, in music scores
69 Keyboard instrument
71 One of three womb-sharers
73 Florida's Key —
74 Charges for not paying on time
76 Decongestant brand
78 Legal claim on property
79 Broke a fast
80 Filmmaker
82 Non-PC person?
84 Suffix with Taiwan
85 Bothersome types
87 Boring type

- 89 Relax after working hard
91 Red-tinged jewelry alloy
94 Removes hair from
97 Second-to-last king of Egypt
100 Greeting sent online
102 Emily Dickinson's "Much Madness is — Sense"
103 Tropical rabbit lookalike
104 Shrink back
106 Brings about
107 Finger-paint
108 The Northwest's "City of Trees"
111 Like many allergy sprays
112 Robbie Knivel's father
113 Remark from the sharp-eared
114 1950s-'70s baseballer
115 Actress Russo
116 Deck crew officer, in brief

- 117 Puts in order
118 City on the Ruhr
1 African tree with a very thick trunk
2 Italian municipality west of Turin
3 Perfect choices to fill positions
4 Stereotypical setting for a brawl
5 Having a right (to)
6 In prison, informally
7 Vardalos of "Connie and Carla"
8 Toddler bed attachment
9 Like a truck ascending a steep hill, gear-wise
10 Silly, like a honking bird
11 The two dots in "naive" or "Brontë"
12 Fly-catching warblers
13 Shakespeare work part
14 Imitated a cat
15 Small restaurants

- 16 Lauder of fragrances
17 Lois' partner
18 Its capital is Nairobi
21 Aspiring doc's major
27 Person stashing stuff
30 In the buff
32 Cracked, as a cryptogram
36 Info group to be input
38 "Dagnabbit!"
40 Bee-luring fluids
43 Chief female officiators in sacred rites
44 Gets bigger
45 First division of a 13-Down
46 Sparse start of some rounds of applause
47 Utter with a hissing sound
49 Arena relative
51 Crafts counterparts
54 Apple's Jobs
56 Pop in a blended family
58 Egypt's Nasser
60 Detects like a dog
62 Intertwined



by Dana Jackson

Q: How is Celine Dion doing since she was diagnosed with a neurological disorder? Will she ever sing in front of an audience again? — N.G.

A: Two years ago, Celine Dion was diagnosed with stiff-person syndrome, a neurological disorder with an unknown cause and an uncertain prognosis. In an interview with Vogue France, she said that she undergoes physical and vocal therapy five days a week and hopes to sing again. In February of this year, Dion presented a Grammy Award to Taylor Swift. She looked happy and radiant, leaving her fans hopeful that they'll hear her angelic voice on stage again someday.

Q: Is it true that Garcelle Beauvais is leaving "Real Housewives" because her acting career has taken off? She's the only level-headed one in the bunch, so I wouldn't blame her if she quit. — T.S.

A: There have been several firings and voluntary exits among Bravo's "Real Housewives" lately, but Garcelle Beauvais is not one of them — at least not yet. The popular cast member of "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" began her career in front of the cameras as a model for the

Ford agency before getting bit by the acting bug. She appeared in the Eddie Murphy film "Coming to America" and its sequel, as well as "The Jamie Foxx Show" and the short-lived Aaron Spelling primetime soap "Models Inc."

After her career lagged a bit, she joined "Real Housewives" in 2020. While most actors look at reality television as a step down, this had the opposite effect on Beauvais' career. Viewers were charmed by her wit, levelheadedness and beauty, and her career in Hollywood was reborn.

In 2023, Beauvais produced and starred in a hit movie for the Lifetime network called "Black Girl Missing." She recently inked a deal to produce two more telefilms under this franchise, which will "continue the imperative conversations about systemic inequalities where missing girls and women of color are ignored." She'll also star in another Lifetime movie, the first of what hopes to be many with the introductory title "Terry McMillan Presents." If that name sounds familiar, McMillan is the novelist behind some best-selling books that were adapted into hit movies, like "How Stella Got Her Groove Back" and "Waiting to Exhale." With all this success, don't be surprised if Beauvais does leave the bickering "Housewives" behind her, but as of now, she's expected to return next season.

Q: Is "Russian Doll" ever coming back to Netflix, or has it been canceled? — K.S.



Singer Celine Dion

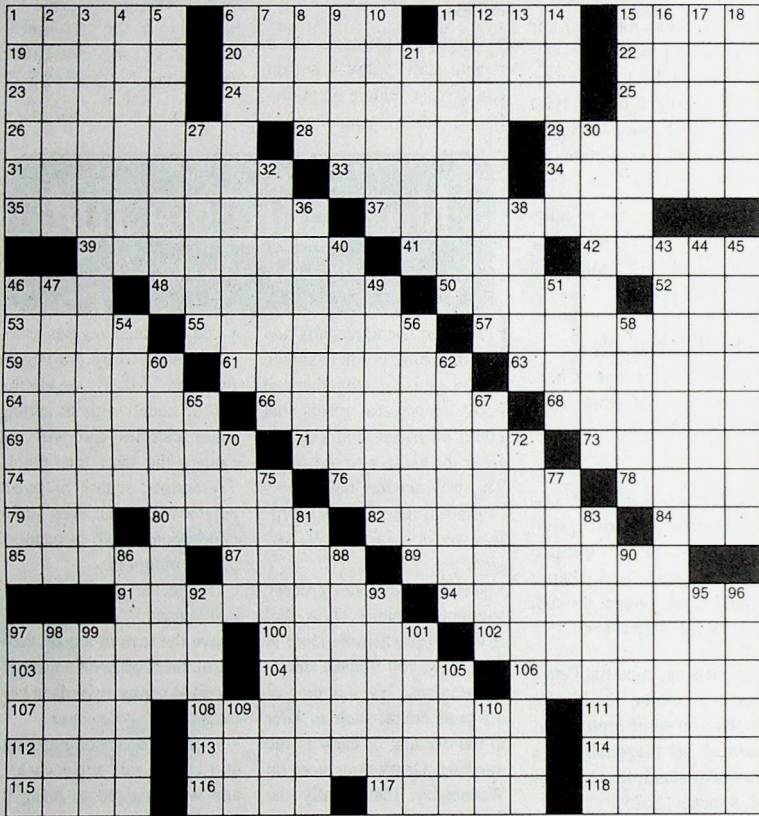
Photo: Depsiphotos

A: According to TVLine, the Netflix drama "Russian Doll" was originally intended to take three seasons to tell its story. However, it's been two years since the second chapter ended, but the writers' and actors' strikes last year played a role in its delay.

In the meantime, the show's star Natasha Lyonne found herself with a new hit show on her hands, "Poker Face," which streams on Peacock. Will she have time to star in both shows? According to Lyonne, there are "potentially more adventures" for "Russian Doll's" Nadia, but "it's gonna take some time."

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFSW, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

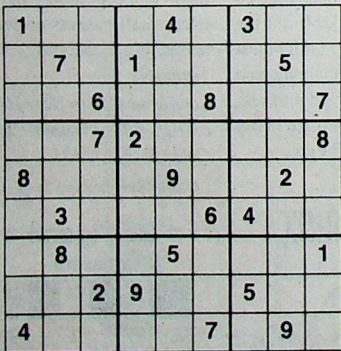
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| 1. The Louvre location | F _ _ _ _ _ | Proud gait | P _ _ _ _ _ |
| 2. Baton motion | _ _ _ R _ | Ridged fabric | _ _ _ L _ |
| 3. Oak seed | _ C _ _ _ | Embellish | _ D _ _ _ |
| 4. Clothes basket | _ _ _ P _ | Pound a nail | _ _ _ M _ |
| 5. Light breeze | _ _ A _ _ | Wander at sea | _ _ I _ _ |
| 6. Wonderland girl | _ _ _ C _ | Similar | _ _ _ K _ |
| 7. Worldly | _ _ _ _ L | _____ and pestle | _ _ _ _ R |
| 8. Cereal fragment | _ _ _ K _ | Blaze | _ _ _ M _ |
| 9. Talk like a hawk | _ _ _ E _ | Reduce in size | _ _ _ N _ |
| 10. Sheriff's group | _ _ S _ _ | Composure | _ _ I _ _ |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

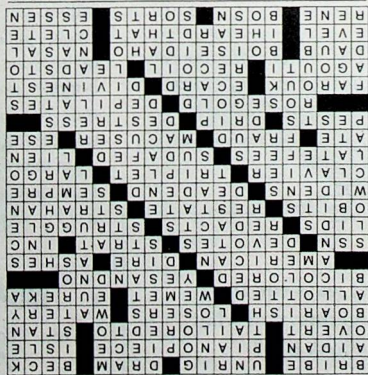
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

Answers

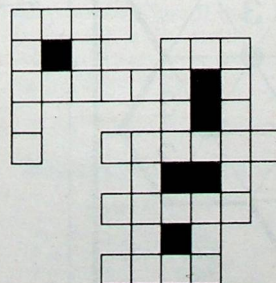


Even Exchange answers

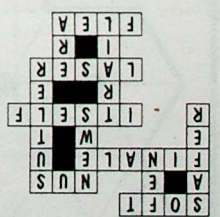
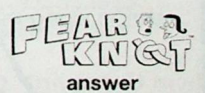
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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. France, France | 10. Draft, Dftt |
| 2. Twirl, Twill | 9. Shrek, Shrink |
| 3. Acom, Adom | 8. Flake, Flame |
| 4. Hammer, Hammer | 7. Mortal, Mortar |
| 5. Draft, Dftt | 6. Alice, Alike |



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♥TURSLE
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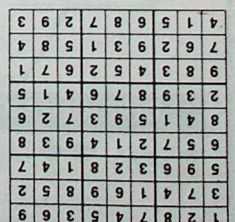


Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.



Weekly SUDOKU

Answer



Massachusetts House Passes \$58 Billion FY25 Budget

On April 26, the Massachusetts House of Representatives passed its Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) budget. Funded at \$58 billion, \$62 million below Governor Maura Healey's budget proposal, officials said the House's FY25 budget responds to the needs of residents, provides strong support for the Commonwealth's cities and towns, and among many critical investments, includes significant funding for education, transportation, health care, housing, and workforce development.

"This budget takes a fiscally responsible approach to making meaningful investments in areas of significant need. I'm proud of the fact that the House's FY25 budget allocates key funding to better support Massachusetts students and families, to increase access to affordable health care, and to provide for a safer and more reliable public transportation system," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "I want to thank Chairman Aaron Michlewitz and the entire House Committee on Ways and Means for crafting this budget, as well as all my colleagues in the House for their hard work and critical input throughout this process, a collective effort that has helped to produce a strong and responsible FY25 budget."

Due to responsible fiscal management, the House's FY25 budget is balanced, and makes significant investments across a number of issue areas, without needing to draw from the Stabilization Fund, which is set to reach a record high of \$9.053 billion.

"I'm proud to have voted for a well-balanced budget that continues to prioritize the needs of our Commonwealth and the residents of Quincy," said Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "I'm especially grateful to work with the Quincy House delegation to have secured funding for important community resources including Quincy Community Action Programs, Quincy Asian Resources, Inc., and Germantown Neighborhood Center."

"I'm proud to have worked with the Quincy delegation to secure necessary funding for important programs and projects in our district," said Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "The FY25 budget focuses our resources on critical areas including public education, public safety, senior services, and transportation. I'm also grateful that our efforts were successful in securing significant funding for expanding Ferry service out of Marina Bay, as well as additional dedicated seasonal patrols along Wollaston beach. This budget supports our local organizations and best serves the community and our constituents."

The budget passed includes \$1.3 billion in investments for transportation and education initiatives made possible because funding generated by the Fair Share ballot initiative that voters approved in November 2022, which established a surtax of 4 percent on annual income above \$1 million.

Local Aid and Education

The FY25 House budget funds Unrestricted General Government Aid (UGGA) at \$1.283 billion, and Chapter 70 education funding at \$6.863 billion, representing a \$309 million increase over the funding provided for Chapter 70 in the FY24 budget. The budget also funds the fourth year of a six-year implementation plan for the Student Opportunity Act (SOA), which was enacted in 2019 to ensure that public schools have the necessary resources to provide high-quality education to students, regardless of zip code or income level. The budget provides an additional \$74 per pupil in minimum aid supplements, increasing the minimum aid total to \$104 per pupil. The House budget allocates \$46,126,903 in Chapter 70 education funding to Quincy and \$23,055,396 in Unrestricted General Government Aid to the city. Additionally, the budget includes the following education initiatives:

- \$493 million for the Special Education Circuit Breaker program
- \$199 million for charter school aid
- \$99 million for regional school transportation
- \$29 million for homeless student transportation

The House's FY25 budget continues to fully fund universal free school meals programming for every public-school student in the Commonwealth. Massachusetts is one of only eight states in the country with permanent free school meals for all students, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Due to this program, which the House has extended each year since the COVID-19 pandemic began, since 2019, more than 100,000 additional kids ate school lunch daily through October 2023, according to the Feed Kids Campaign. This budget also invests \$30 million for improved early literacy programming to ensure high-quality reading instruction is available to students in pre-

kindergarten through 3rd grade.

Public Transportation

The House budget includes a record investment of \$555 million for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), as well as \$184 million for the Regional Transit Authorities that serve commuters across Massachusetts. These investments include:

- \$314 million operating transfer to the MBTA
- \$184 million to support operations and transit improvements at the state's 15 Regional Transit Authorities
- \$75 million for MBTA capital investments in physical infrastructure
- \$65 million for projects that address safety concerns at the MBTA related to the findings of the Federal Transit Administration's Safety Management Inspection initiated in April 2022
- \$40 million to create an MBTA Academy to support recruiting and training efforts, and establish a pipeline for a skilled workforce across departments
- \$35 million to create a Resilient Rides program to support climate adaptation and climate readiness capital improvement projects in the stations are rails located in the most climate-vulnerable areas of the system
- \$20 million for reduced MBTA fares for riders with low incomes
- \$5 million for grants for ferry services

Early Education and Care

Continuing the House's longstanding commitment towards investing in the early education and care (EEC) workforce, the House budget includes \$45 million to sustain FY24 rate increases and provides an additional \$20 million in FY25 rate increases for child care providers across the Commonwealth. Other early education and care investments, some of which are made permanent through this budget, include:

- \$475 million for Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) grants
- \$357 million for child care for children involved with the Department of Children & Families and the Department of Transitional Assistance
- \$417 million for child care for low-income families
- \$30 million to reduce the income-eligible waitlist
- \$20 million for child care resource and referral agencies
- \$17.5 million for Head Start grants
- \$10 million for an EEC educator scholarship program
- \$10 million for an EEC educator loan forgiveness program

To create a new funding source for EEC initiatives, the budget the House passed today would allow the Massachusetts Lottery to sell its products online. A portion of the new revenue collected from online lottery sales, estimated to be \$100 million annually, would fund C3 grants, which provide long-term stability for high-quality and affordable care for families.

In order to ensure grants are providing optimal results for families and communities with the greatest needs, the House budget provides an equitable funding formula for C3 grants that supports the state's most vulnerable children, setting aside \$240 million (50.5 percent) for providers serving at least 25 percent of children who are eligible for Child Care Financial Assistance (CCFA), \$135 million (28.4 percent) for providers serving less than 25 percent of children eligible for CCFA, and \$100 million (21.1 percent) for providers who do not serve any families eligible for assistance. It also caps the grant amount for-profit, multi-state or franchised organizations receive at 0.33 percent of funding annually. As federal funding for the C3 program is no longer available, the Department of Early Education and Care must recommend a new C3 funding formula after 5 years.

Affordable and Accessible Housing

The FY25 budget maintains the House's commitment to protect renters and homeowners across the Commonwealth from eviction and homelessness by investing in the following programs:

- \$325 million for the Emergency Assistance (EA) program, which provides shelter to families with children and pregnant women
- \$219 million for the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP)
- \$197.4 million for Rental Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) program
- \$57.3 million for HomeBase
- \$10 million for shelter workforce assistance
- \$8.9 million for the Home and Healthy for Good program, including \$500,000 for the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance

Workforce Development

The House budget funds the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development at \$115 million. Additionally, it invests in the following initiatives:

- \$59.4 million for Adult Basic Education Services
- \$20.2 million for Labor and Workforce Development Shared Services
- \$18.4 million for DTA Employment and Training Services
- \$16.2 million for Summer Jobs for At Risk Youth
- \$10.4 million for Career Technical Institutes
- \$10 million for the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund
- \$10 million for the Targeted Scholarship Program for high-demand industries
- \$9.9 million for One Stop Career Centers
- \$7.8 million for School-to-Career Connecting Activities
- \$5.4 million for Higher Education Innovation Fund Grants
- \$3.8 million for Registered Apprenticeship Expansion
- \$3.5 million for Career and Technical Education Grants

Energy and Environmental Affairs

The House's budget invests \$579.9 million in Energy and Environmental Affairs, including:

- \$159.7 million for the Department of Conservation and Recreation
- \$86.7 million for the Department of Environmental Protection
- \$75.4 million for the Department of Agricultural Resources
- \$63.4 million for the Clean Water Trust

It also includes \$35 million for an MBTA Resilient Rides program, a \$30 million transfer to the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, and \$10 million in continued support for Green SchoolWorks program to decarbonize and increase efficiency in our schools through green energy projects.

The budget creates a new Disaster Relief and Resilience Fund, initially consisting of \$14 million, for permanent emergency disaster relief from natural disasters or other catastrophic events such as hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, landslides, extreme winds, and extreme temperatures. It also creates a new Environmental Justice Fund to be funded by settlements from the Attorney General's Division of Environmental Protection for remediation projects in disadvantaged communities such as restoration of natural resource, projects for community health or well-being, mitigation of environmental pollution or harm.

Public Health and Mental Health

The House budget funds the Department of Public Health at \$1 billion and the Department of Mental Health at \$1.18 billion for FY25. Investments include:

- \$193.5 million for the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS)
- \$14.2 million for statewide and community-based suicide prevention
- \$1.25 million for prostate cancer awareness, education, and research
- \$622.3 million for adult support services
- \$130.5 million for child and adolescent services

Quincy Investments

The budget also included key investments in Quincy safety and transportation services, local non-profits, and community organizations:

- \$95,000 for seasonal State Police patrols on Wollaston Beach
- \$100,000 for ferry service at Squantum Point Park
- \$100,000 for Quincy Community Action Programs, Inc. homelessness prevention services
- \$50,000 for Friends of Faxon Park
- \$100,000 for Germantown Neighborhood Center
- \$100,000 for Quincy Asian Resources, Inc.
- \$30,000 for Penn's Hill Neighborhood Association, Inc.
- \$30,000 for the Ward 2 Civic Association
- \$175,000 for Volunteers of America of Massachusetts, Inc. for substance abuse and mental health clinical services and programming
- \$500,000 for the Adams Presidential Center
- \$300,000 for student supports at Quincy College
- \$55,000 for the hazmat emergency response program in Quincy

Speaker Mariano and the House Committee on Ways & Means introduced their FY25 budget proposal on April 10, following a review of the Governor's proposal and a series of public hearings. The budget passed the House of Representatives 153-4, and now goes to the Senate for consideration.

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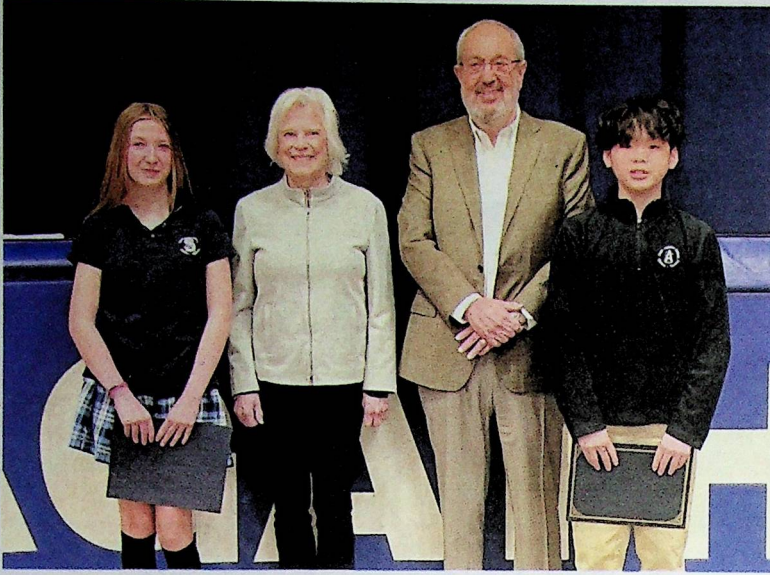
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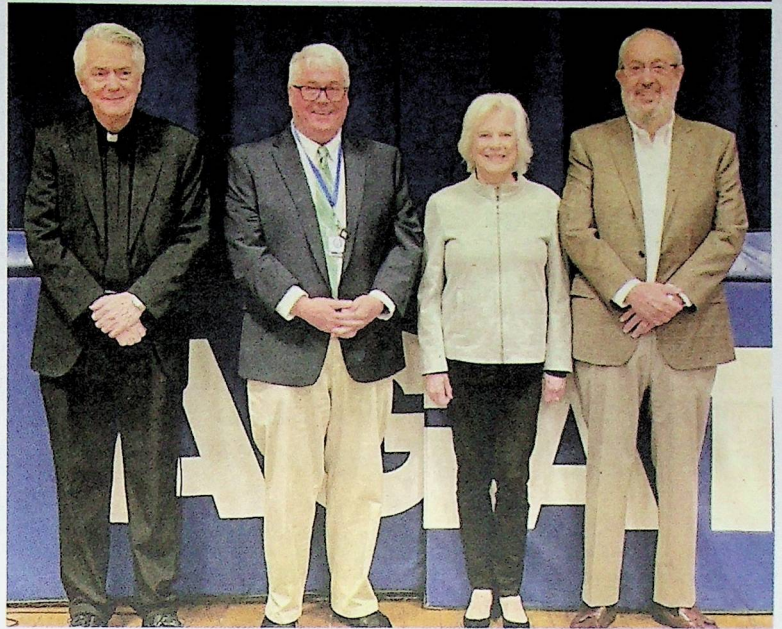
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MR. AND MRS. Ronald Falcione (middle) visited Saint Agatha School April 24 to present The Ronald and Dorothy Falcione Scholarship to two rising Grade Seven students at the school. The recipients are Cate Mazzeo (left), daughter of William and Laura Mazzeo of Randolph, and Hayden Ho (right), son of Oanh Ho and Hoa Nguyen of Quincy. *Courtesy Photos*



FATHER WILLIAM PALARDY (left) and Principal Gregg Chambers (second from left) with Dorothy Falcione and Ronald Falcione at the Saint Agatha School scholarship presentation.

Falcione Scholarship Presented At Saint Agatha School

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The scholarship recipients are Cate Mazzeo, daughter of William and Laura Mazzeo of Randolph, and Hayden Ho, son of Oanh Ho and Hoa Nguyen of Quincy. These two students were selected as the scholarship recipients based on their responses to a writ-

ing prompt. The responses demonstrated their appreciation of learning and an understanding of the value of the education they receive at Saint Agatha School. Each student was awarded full tuition valued at \$7,600 for the 2024-2025 year.

At the ceremony, Principal Gregg Chambers shared the story behind The Ronald and Dorothy Falcione Scholarship from information provided in a testimonial prepared by Mr. Falcione. Principal Chambers

noted that Mr. Falcione is an alumnus of the Saint Agatha School Class of 1963. Mr. Falcione credited his mother for her wisdom in selecting Saint Agatha School for his and his siblings' education. He also expressed his gratitude to the Sisters of Saint Joseph, the nuns who founded the school, saying, "I learned how to learn, and how to enjoy doing so." The student body, faculty, and staff listened attentively to the account and recognized Mr. and Mrs. Falcione for

their generosity. Father William Palardy, Pastor of Saint Agatha Parish, and the students' families were present at the event to join the celebration.

The couple's goal in creating a scholarship program is to support two families each year with tuition. By awarding these two recipi-

ents, they aim to encourage them to continue their education at Saint Agatha School. This demonstrates their appreciation for the school's experience and education and will help prepare the recipients for a successful transition to the high school of their choice.

If you are an alumnus or

interested in learning about ways to start a scholarship program at the school, please contact Nancy Weiler, Director of Advancement, at nlweiler@stagathaparish.org. If you are interested in applying, contact Renalyn Te, Director of Enrollment and Tuition, at renalyn.te@stagathaparish.org.

Houghs Neck History – The 1890s Topic May 16 At HN Congregational Church

Patti Williams will present a program on Houghs Neck History - the 1890s – on Thursday, May 16 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Houghs Neck Congregational Church, 310 Manet Ave., Quincy.

During the 1890s, Houghs Neck continued to develop into a desirable seaside community. The Manet Land Associates developed hundreds of residential house lots and the Manet Street Railway brought a new way for people to get here.

Illuminations and shipbreaking continued. New hotels opened. The first Catholic church opened. In 1895 water pipes were installed and in 1899 electricity came to Houghs Neck.

The May 16th program is free and open to the public.

There will also be a Houghs Neck History Program on Tuesday, June 4. The topic will focus on Houghs Neck Cottage Names.



VINTAGE MAP of Quincy's Houghs Neck section. *Courtesy Image*

Build A Bed Workshop, Snuggle Drive Saturday At Quincy Point Congregational Church

All are always welcome to worship at Quincy Point Congregational Church. This Sunday, May 5, is Communion Sunday at the 10 a.m. worship at 444 Washington St. in the Sanctuary.

After worship come down to the lower-level Social Hall for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship. The 186th Annual meeting of QPCC will also take place.

Quincy Point Congregational Church is accessible to all with an elevator on the Abbey Road side of the church

and an "all access" restroom. The weekly worship is live streamed at 10 am each Sunday or you can see past services anytime on the church YouTube, Vimeo, Facebook pages or on the QPCC website: www.quincypointcong.org. Weekly worship is also re-broadcast on QATV channel 8 on Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

This Saturday, May 4 at 10:30 a.m. the BUILD A BED workshop and SNUGGLE Drive will take place in the QPCC Social Hall. Build A Bed for Every Child is orga-

nized by the MA Coalition for the Homeless and the QPCC Mission Committee. No experience is necessary and there are many ways to assist. Sign up required <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4FA4AE2DA0F9448289804-build#/> or monetary donations accepted at <https://www.quincypointcong.org/donate>.

Contact the church office a call if you have any questions at 617-773-6424 or office@quincypointcong.org. Thanks for your help.



QUINCY POINT CONGREGATIONAL Church will host a "Build A Bed" workshop and "Snuggle Drive" Saturday, May 4 at 10:30 a.m. in the church Social Hall. *Courtesy Photo*

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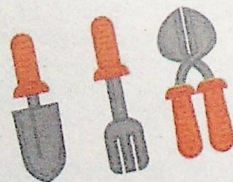
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